

Syria and Iraq announce plans for a joint military command

TEL AVIV (UPI). — Syria and Iraq — the war of words, spies, bombs and jets cast aside by common opposition to the Camp David accords — yesterday announced plans for a joint military command.

The move appeared as a large step toward ending one of the Arab world's longest and bitterest feuds. But Syrian President Hafez Assad, ending up three days of reconciliation talks on his first visit to Baghdad since the 1973 Yom Kippur war, stressed that the accord was only the first step.

A joint communiqué released by an official news agency said a material committee including the two nations' foreign ministers, defence ministers and military chiefs of staff was being formed to prepare a formula for a joint defence pact that will provide the basis for total military unity between the two countries.

A lengthy preamble said that conciliation steps — paralleled by creation of a Syrian-Iraqi steering committee to oversee military, political, economic and cultural operation — were a direct result of September Camp David accords between Egypt and Israel.

They are due to...the great anger looming over the Arab nation in the current period of imperialist-colonialist-Zionist alliance, which has become yet more dangerous with the signature of the sycophantic accords between the Syrian regime and the Zionist enemy," the statement said.

"Iraq and Syria confirmed their determination to realize a qualitative change in relations between them," the communiqué said.

Senior Arab diplomats said there had been no agreement on Iraq's proposal to send army units to the Syrian-Israeli frontier to help coordinate the new military pact.

The diplomat added that it was not so much the first step toward a Syrian-Iraqi rapprochement — key to any hardline Arab military front against Israel — as "what this meeting will produce" in the long run.

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Syrian President Hafez Assad, left, talking to Iraqi president Ahmed Hassan al-Bakr in Baghdad. (AP radiophoto)

agreed in principle to dispatch a small token force "to slowly make a dent in the distrust between the two countries."

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Libya in 1976 mediated an earlier Iraqi offer to send troops to the Syrian "confrontation line" with Israel. But renewed feuding torpedoed the move, and as the Iraqi forces were moving toward Syria, Damascus media promptly charged that Baghdad was invading.

BULLETIN
The government last night raised fuel prices by an average of 20 per cent, Israel Radio reported. The cost of electricity also went up, by 14 per cent.

'Irate' Carter denounces Israel's move to strengthen settlements

Vance: U.S. 'deeply disturbed', waiting for Begin reply

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
WASHINGTON. — The U.S. yesterday reacted angrily to Israel's decision to expand existing Jewish settlements in Judea, Samaria and the Gaza Strip. President Jimmy Carter, who was said to be "irate" over the Israeli move, personally instructed the State Department to denounce the Israeli decision.

From Carter down, U.S. officials say they fear that the move will further complicate the already difficult Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty negotiations at Blair House here.

"We regard the reported decision taken by the Israeli cabinet

to 'thicken' some of the settlements on the West Bank as a very serious matter and are deeply disturbed by it," Secretary of State Cyrus Vance said in a statement issued yesterday morning. "We have already communicated with Prime Minister Begin and will refrain from any further comment until we receive his response."

Some U.S. officials say they fear the unexpected development could so disrupt the atmosphere surrounding the treaty negotiations that additional progress at this stage in drafting the document may be impossible.

They said that Carter shot off an angry protest to Begin "through

diplomatic channels." The president sharply complained of the move which is regarded here as "provocative."

Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan and Defence Minister Ezer Weizman, who arrived back here late last night from Jerusalem, are due to meet with Vance first thing this morning at the State Department. According to U.S. officials, they will then report to Vance on the specific amendments requested by the Israeli cabinet during the marathon deliberation in Jerusalem.

Until the recent developments, there had been tentative plans for a three-way meeting of the Israeli, Egyptian and U.S. delegations later this afternoon. But yesterday the State Department's George Sherman, spokesman for the conference, said ominously: "We'll have to wait and see."

U.S. and Egyptian officials here were wondering out loud yesterday why the cabinet had decided to publicly issue the decision.

Some officials openly expressed fear that hardliners in the cabinet had pushed for the decision as a way of sabotaging the entire process of drafting the treaty. They compared this decision to the move last January, during the ill-fated Israeli-Egyptian political committee talks in Jerusalem, to send bulldozers into Sinai to thicken settlements there.

Carter was said by sources to

regard this latest Israeli action as a personal slap in his face, given the U.S. president's intensive involvement late last week in reaching agreement between the delegations on the draft peace treaty.

U.S. officials conceded that there was no agreement at Camp David which barred Israel from expanding existing settlements on the West Bank. The only freeze agreed to by Begin was on the creation of new settlements. But they also maintained that Begin should have continued to show "good faith" in the current talk by preserving the status quo.

They also complained that the Israeli move comes just when Jordan, Saudi Arabia and some Palestinian Arabs had finally appeared to be beginning to come around to support the Camp David agreements.

By deciding to publicly rebuke Israel, the administration recognized that the entire rift would be escalated further. But State Department spokesman Hodding Carter III said that this U.S. decision to react in such a manner "was not made lightly."

Other U.S. sources said that it reflected merely the "tip of the iceberg" of U.S. anger. The spokesman refused to say anything about reports that Begin was planning to move his office to East Jerusalem.

Begin: Inalienable right to settle anywhere

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Prime Minister Menachem Begin said yesterday that he had not yet received any communication from the U.S. secretary of state regarding the decision to enlarge the settlements in Judea and Samaria.

Speaking at an election rally at the Yehuda stadium here for the Likud's incumbent mayor Shlomo Lahat, the prime minister said that "it is entirely likely that I will receive a message from the U.S. But after I receive it, my reply will be to reaffirm the inalienable and full right of the Jewish people to settle in all part of the Land of Israel — including Judea, Samaria and Gaza."

Begin disclosed that at Camp David he told U.S. President Jimmy Carter that "during the coming three months of negotiations hundreds of families will be added to the existing settlers in Judea and Samaria; and what I told the president, I will fulfill," the prime minister declared to nearly frenzied cheers by his audience.

His speech was briefly interrupted by several demonstrators, who attempted to hoist a banner reading: "Begin betrayed us." But the hecklers were removed following a scuffle with the police.

The audience responded to attempts to disrupt Begin's speech by rhythmically chanting: "Begin, Begin, and by calling out: 'Begin, we are behind you.'"

Begin went on to add that only the IDF "will defend us in Judea and Samaria, and never will a so-called Palestinian state be established there."

Begin came to the rally to give frontrunner Lahat an additional boost, but the turnout of only about 2,000 people must have been disappointing. This was attributed to the deep apathy of the public to the local elections campaign.

Begin and Lahat appeared under banners which read: "Begin is good for Israel — Lahat is good for Tel Aviv." Begin warmly praised Lahat, but said he himself will be out of the country on election day and will not be able to cast his ballot for the mayor.

Cairo may recall delegates to consult on Israel stand

CAIRO (UPI). — The Egyptian government is considering the possibility of recalling its top negotiators from Washington for consultations on the latest Israeli policy decisions, Prime Minister Mustafa Khallil said yesterday.

Khallil told reporters that the government was thinking of summoning Rome Defence Minister Lt. Gen. Kamal Hassan Ali and Acting Foreign Minister Butros Ghali.

A decision will be taken and announced today, he said. But Khallil emphasized this did not mean a deadlock had been reached in the negotiations.

Khallil was answering reporters' questions on the latest Israeli cabinet decision to expand Jewish settlements in the West Bank, Gaza Strip and Golan Heights.

The possible recall, he said, will allow President Anwar Sadat to assess the progress of the negotiations in the light of the remarks made by the Egyptian government on the draft peace treaty.

A government spokesman said on Wednesday that Sadat found the

treaty "acceptable in almost all its points," although Egypt wanted certain amendments made in the text. Press reports earlier said that Egypt wanted the linkage between the treaty and a solution of the Palestinian question spelled out in stronger terms.

Wolf Blitzer, reporting from Washington, adds: "U.S. officials are nervously taking note of reports in the official Cairo media, including a statement by Prime Minister Khallil, that the Egyptian delegation attending the negotiations might be recalled shortly for 'consultations.'"

ound lost value at record rate of 6% this month Mass hoarding in fear of price rises

By SHLOMO MAOR
Post Economic Reporter

The Israeli pound has been valued by a 6 per cent devaluation to the new sheqel since the beginning of October. This is the steepest rate of devaluation in a short time since the foreign-currency reform just a year ago.

The devaluation of the currency is a symptom of the rapid acceleration of inflation in recent months. Within a few days the inflation is expected to get a further boost as a result of steep price hikes.

The expectation of a whole chain of price increases — some of which have already taken place, while others have been announced in advance by the Treasury — has caused widespread hoarding of consumer goods. These include those items that are neither price-controlled nor subject to fiscal increases by the government.

Similarly, there has been a new wave of strike threats and wage demands, and producers in many branches have jacked up their prices. At the same time, the public has been buying more linked government bonds, in anticipation of further rises in the consumer price index.

Finance Minister Simha Ehrlich and Energy Minister Yitzhak Moda'i are about to announce a 15-25 per cent increase in fuel prices, depending upon the kind of fuel. The new prices are to come into effect within a few days — possibly even on Saturday night, the time traditionally chosen for fuel price increases so as to minimize hoarding.

On November 1, cigarette prices

will go up by 20 per cent. Some of this price increase is in response to demands by Dubek Ltd., the country's sole cigarette producer, but the tobacco excise is also to be raised by 10 per cent. The cabinet committee on economic affairs is to take a decision on Sunday on a 10 per cent rise in the prices of basic food products and public transportation. As a result of continued devaluation and domestic price inflation, the freeze on these prices that was in force under the Treasury-Histadrut agreement of April — which expired at the end of September — has meant constantly rising subsidies.

The scarcity of goods is due not only to hoarding, but to monopolistic producers, who have in recent weeks repeated what has in recent years become standard practice: when they present demands for price hikes to the Public Price Commission, these producers simultaneously curtail their supplies; as soon as their demand for a higher price is approved, the products become available again.

A case in point is that of Turkish coffee, which is now available in plenty after its price was upped 30 per cent a few days ago with official approval. Instant coffee, however, is still in short supply — apparently in anticipation of a price increase.

For the past fortnight there has been a shortage of cigarettes. The popular "Time" brand, in particular, has almost disappeared from sales outlets. The Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Tourism has argued that there is no shortage. Dubek, the producer, has also said that supplies are normal but that the

public has been hoarding cigarettes. Nevertheless, the newspaper "Yediot Aharonot" a few days ago quoted Dubek's manager as saying that the firm had been unable to step up its production because a worker had injured his finger, thus making it impossible to operate an essential machine.

The Ministry of Industry, Trade and Tourism denied only a few days ago that there will be any increase in the price of cigarettes, claiming there was no cause for hoarding on that count. It now turns out that the price will go up, within days of that firm denial.

A visit to a number of large stores in Jerusalem yesterday provided evidence of large-scale hoarding by the public of a broad range of consumer goods. David Kraus, manager of a supermarket in the centre of the city, told The Jerusalem Post that in the last few days people have been buying eight times as much sugar and vegetable oil as in normal times. There has also been a rush to stock

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Site near Scopus mooted for PM's office in E. Jerusalem

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Offices being built at the foot of Mount Scopus next to national police headquarters were said yesterday by municipal planners to be the most likely site to which the prime minister's office will be transferred.

Prime Minister Menachem Begin said this week that he planned to shift his office and that of the foreign minister to East Jerusalem but did not specify a site. Some 12,500 square metres of government floor space are now being built by the Public Works Department next to police headquarters. This is the first stage of a 50,000 square metre project. Municipal officials said, however, that it will be a year before the first buildings are ready for occupancy. In the Jewish Quarter, the triplex apartment formerly occupied by Yigal Alon when he was foreign

minister is empty and could presumably be converted to office space if Begin wanted to establish a symbolic government presence in the Old City immediately. There is also room for construction of some 10,000 square metres of floor space in the Jewish Quarter opposite the Western Wall on a site once mooted for the Supreme Court. The court chose to build its new facility on Mount Scopus.

Mayor Teddy Kollek yesterday sent Begin a letter praising his decision but taking the government to task for failing to implement previous decisions aimed at strengthening the Jewish presence in Jerusalem. He cited lack of progress on construction of the new road to Jerusalem via Beit Horon and the proposed transfer of government offices from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem.

ANOTHER WEEK AND TWO DAYS TO THE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

The programme "Direct Line" to be broadcast on Sunday, October 29, 1978, will be devoted to the Elections.

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BUENOS AIRES	15	24	Clear
CHICAGO	7	10	Cloudy
COPENHAGEN	4	10	Cloudy
FRANKFURT	7	15	Cloudy
GENEVA	5	12	Fog
HELSINKI	2	8	Clear
HONG KONG	24	28	Cloudy
JOBANNESBURG	5	13	Cloudy
LISBON	13	18	Cloudy
LONDON	14	18	Cloudy
MADRID	11	17	Cloudy
MONTREAL	2	10	Cloudy
NEW YORK	6	14	Cloudy
OSLO	6	12	Cloudy
PARIS	12	18	Cloudy
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SAO PAULO	19	25	Sunny
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THE WEATHER

Forecast: Partly cloudy with local rain.
Outlook for Saturday: Partly cloudy.

	Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min-Max	Today's Max
Jerusalem	79	15-24	23
Golan	70	12-20	24
Nahariya	79	23-28	37
Safed	70	20-25	31
Haifa Port	73	20-27	28
Tiberias	57	22-31	29
Naaneth	89	22-24	27
Afula	72	20-25	27
Shomron	75	21-24	27
Tel Aviv	72	21-28	26
B-G Airport	72	22-28	27
Jricho	44	19-32	30
Qaza	80	24-25	28
Beersheba	64	15-26	36
Eilat	22	20-35	38
Tiran Straits	30	22-30	34

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

President Yitzhak Navon yesterday received Heral Fishman.

Deputy Premier Yigael Yadin will speak on "Current Events" at the Haifa Maritime and Economics Club, at the Zion Hotel at 1 p.m. today. Table reservations by phone, 511563.

Minister of Energy and Infrastructure Yitzhak Mordechai will speak on "The Challenges of Peace" at the Haifa Engineers Club, at 1 p.m. today.

An Oneg Shabbat will be held at 9 tonight at Shivat Zion, 86 Rehov Ben Yehuda, Tel Aviv. Tourists are invited to meet Dr. Menachem Disheson, Israeli scientist, and Dr. Yehuda Disheson.

An Oneg Shabbat in English will be held at 8:30 tonight at Hechal Shlomo in Jerusalem, co-sponsored by the Government Information Centre. The speakers will be Rabbi Dr. S.M. Leherman and Ya'acov Barmor, of the Foreign Ministry. Cantor Arye Goldberg will lead the singing of *Smilov*. A Melaveh Malka will be held at 8:30 p.m. tomorrow at the same place, with Pinhas Eilat of the Foreign Ministry as guest speaker. Cantor Yehuda Lendner will give a recital. The public is invited to both events.

In Memoriam

A memorial service for journalist Alexander Alexandroni will be held on Monday, October 30, at 3:30 p.m. at the Kiryat Shaul cemetery outside Tel Aviv. Participants will assemble at the cemetery entrance.

ARRIVALS

For the Ben-Gurion University Board of Governors Conference, from the U.S.: Mr. and Mrs. Aron Cheliovich, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Abrams, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Shatz, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Blasser, from Great Britain: Sir John and Lady Cohen; Mr. and Mrs. Elyan Kreitzman; from Canada: Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cummings, Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Reisman; Mr. Sam Reisman, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Zwaig; from South Africa: Mr. Bertram Lubner.

Peace may increase stress, not reduce it

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter
RAMAT GAN. — Israel's may face more stress rather than less under the new conditions of peace with their as yet unknown possibilities and dangers. This, at least, is the view of Professor Noah Milgram — who organized an international conference on stress in Israel after the Yom Kippur war and another this past June — yesterday conveyed to the Israel Psychologists Association conference at Bar Ilan University.
"Some people may have the naive feeling that peace means the end of all fears and worries," he said, "and others may become paranoid about the possible danger. There may be conflict between these two groups, with optimists blaming the sceptics for 'spoiling it' if something goes wrong. I think we psychologists should work out a theoretical model to help deal with these new conditions — to anticipate them instead of coming in afterward to treat people and do research as we have until now."

Labour hits Begin, urges defence-tied settlements

By MARK SEGAL
Post Political Correspondent
TEL AVIV. — The Labour-Mapam Alignment yesterday dissociated itself from the government's announced settlement activities in heavily populated areas of Judea and Samaria.

A joint meeting of the Alignment Knesset faction and its executive forums resolved that in future debates on the fate of the territories it will be guided by the need for ensuring defensible borders, anchored on a new network of settlements in the Jordan Rift, the Etzion bloc and the Golan. Accordingly, the Alignment favoured the strengthening of established outposts set up for security reasons.

Contrary to expectations, former premier Golda Meir did not appear. Party sources said she may come to today's concluding session.

Labour Party chairman Shimon Peres said that the opposition would determine its stand once the negotiations with Egypt ended. The party's vote for the Camp David proposals should not be taken as a sign that it will approve future peace proposals, he warned.

Aware that Alignment votes would be as decisive in reaching the government's peace plans as in the Camp David debate, Peres said his bloc would be guided by the need for defensible borders, the unity of Jerusalem and the future of the settlements.

Peres spoke witheringly of "the Israeli rope chasing the American bucket," with Washington pushing for an overall Middle East settlement.

Peres said an agreement with Egypt over the West Bank was tied to the presence of a large Arab population in Judea, Samaria and Gaza. He revealed that at one stage of the negotiations there had been talk of holding elections first in Gaza, but that was ruled out by the Likud "because it hopes it won't happen in Judea and Samaria."

The U.S. was seeking a solution to the Palestinian Arab problem, and for Israel the question remained who

would be the negotiating partner, the Labour Party chairman said.
Danny Rosolio urged strengthening of existing settlements as part of a defensive network. Tamar Eshel feared the implications of the "constant kowtowing" of the Begin government to the U.S.

Haim Zadok objected to the government's tendency to the declarative approach: "They make pronouncements about transferring government offices but don't do it. I transferred my (Justice Ministry) bureau to East Jerusalem but didn't make a song and dance about it."

Labour's Yossi Sarid attacked Premier Begin's "unholy fuss" about transferring his bureau to the eastern side of Jerusalem. "Jerusalem will be weakened, not strengthened, by Begin's performance, especially after the first head of state refuses to go to East Jerusalem to call on the premier," Sarid said.

Moshav movement secretary Arye Nehamkin attacked the decision to remove settlements in Sinai, saying, "We have to focus on our legitimate rights to live and not on those of others."

Mapam secretary-general Meir Talmi said the Likud's peace treaty was based on "handing UN resolution 242 to the southern front. 'So that it won't apply in the east.'"

This was in contradiction to the Alignment stand, which was based on applying resolution 242 on all fronts.

The autonomy idea for the Arabs in the remaining territories aroused his worst fears: "Anyone who thinks matters will be left in abeyance for three to five years is under an illusion. The mad race has already begun," the Mapam leader said.

The recent mission of U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Harold Saunders had highlighted the deteriorating state of U.S.-Israel relations, he said, adding that he feared the Begin government was not capable of coping with U.S. President Carter's grand design of forcing a complete Israeli withdrawal on all fronts.

Rabin blasts Begin for aiding Carter's 'grand M.E. design'

By MARK SEGAL
Post Political Correspondent

TEL AVIV. — Former Premier Yitzhak Rabin yesterday charged that the Carter administration from the start had sought to deny Israel new and permanently defensible borders, and its Arab-leaning grand design had been helped by the Begin government's negotiating mistakes.

The main trouble, he charged, was the absence of coordinated policies between Israel and the U.S. today.

Addressing the leadership of Ihud Hakvutzot Vehakibbutzim at the Agricultural Centre here, Rabin attacked the recent Middle East mission of U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Harold Saunders.

"What Saunders said was 'very serious indeed, particularly the contemptuous attitude displayed towards Israel and its government. We were negotiating with Egypt, and they were already busy selling Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and Gaza — and it's not clear whether or not they are talking with the PLO.'"

The former premier noted that in 1975 his government had arrived at an understanding with the Ford administration — when accepting the second interim agreement in Sinai — which included an American undertaking not to deal with the PLO. This commitment, Rabin said, had served as a brake on matters ever since, "and I am aware that for the present

administration the 1975 commitment is a nightmare."

Rabin regretted that Premier Menachem Begin had failed to get down in writing a similar binding undertaking from the present administration during the Camp David summit, adding: "But it is not too late to obtain one."

He noted that Washington had as yet not given any concrete commitments to cover the financial burden of the IDF's withdrawal from Sinai, let alone the removal of the settlements. The Israeli economy could hardly cope with such an exigency, he said.

Rabin recalled his first talk with the newly-elected President Jimmy Carter, when he heard from him of his design to oblige Israel to return to the 1967 lines with minor adjustments.

Later Carter put the concept "Palestinian homeland" into circulation, Rabin said, observing sarcastically: "It's difficult to imagine that any Arab ruler would agree to less after the U.S. came down firmly for a near-total retreat to the old lines. Thus Carter decisively weakened Israel's struggle for peace within new and defensible borders."

VAT rise shelved for now

Post Economic Reporter

The Treasury has decided not to carry out its plans for a rise in Value Added Tax in the near future, reliable sources in the Finance Ministry said yesterday.

The reason given was difficulties in collecting the tax at the retail level. Were the tax to rise, the sources said, this would only increase the amount of "black money" being accumulated by storekeepers who siphon off the tax into their own pockets instead of passing it on to the Treasury.

The sources noted that increasing VAT now would contribute to the wave of price rises and increase inflation. The original intention had been to boost VAT by a few percentage points while simultaneously cutting purchase tax. But, the sources said, studies made by the Treasury had shown that while boosting VAT would boost prices, cutting purchase tax would not bring prices down, at least in the short run.

Senior Treasury officials told a meeting of the Histadrut's taxation committee in Tel Aviv yesterday that VAT collection by the Treasury would reach IL2.1b. this year. The officials — State Revenue Director Moshe Neudorfer, Customs head Yeheskel Abulafia and Abulafia's deputy Mordechai Bareket — had been asked by committee head Na-

tali Ben-Moshe to come to the meeting to explain VAT policy.

The officials said that the main problem in collection was at the retail and small-business level. The courts, they said, worked too slowly in trying offenders, and the penalties levied on businessmen who pocketed VAT money were too light to deter further offences.

2 die in accident

HADERA (Itim). — Two men were killed and three others were injured when their car overturned about 20 km. north of the Hadera-Caesarea interchange on the coastal road.

Witnesses said the car skidded sharply before turning over several times. No other vehicle was involved in the accident.

The injured, including the driver who was seriously hurt, were taken to Eilat Yotef Hospital in Hadera. The names of the two men killed in the accident have not been released.

Bomb in Beersheba

An explosive charge went off at 8:30 yesterday morning at the Be'er market in Beersheba, the police announced. The bomb caused damage but no injuries.



Ofira Navon, the president's wife, yesterday visited Mr. and Mrs. Vexler, proud parents of Israel's newest quintuplets, at Hadassah hospital in Jerusalem. (Rahamim Israeli)

Beershebans organize to help parents of newborn quintuplets

By HARRY WALL
Special to the Jerusalem Post

BEERSHEBA. — A public committee has been formed by a group of Beersheba residents to help Yosef and Sara Vexler, parents of the quintuplets born in Jerusalem last Saturday. Vexler, an employee of a local plumbing hardware company, earns a salary of IL5,000 a month, hardly enough to provide for a family which has doubled in the last week.

The family now lives in a two-room flat in Shikun Aleph which they share with Mrs. Vexler's father. In addition to the five new-borns the Vexlers have a three-year-old child. Housing Minister Gideon Palti has already ordered local ministry officials to allocate a four-room flat for

the family. It is hoped that the larger dwelling will be ready before the quintuplets are taken from the Hadassah hospital in Ein Karem where they are now in incubation.

The public committee, initiated by Yosef Levi, head of welfare services for the Beersheba municipality, will help the family with a number of household needs. An account for receiving donations to the quintuplets' family has been opened at Bank Mizrah in Beersheba. The first contribution, IL2,500, was made by the bank. The committee's account number, for anyone wishing to donate to the quintuplets' fund, is 301180.

The father reports that the babies — three boys and two girls — are doing well and all have gained weight.

West Bank activists to meet today

Jerusalem Post Reporter

West Bank trade union activists are due to meet in Ramallah today to denounce the Camp David agreements and reject the autonomy proposal. All the activists in Judea, Samaria and East Jerusalem have been invited, along with the mayors and other public figures. The gathering is part of the overall campaign against the Camp David accords.

(The trade unions on the West Bank are strongly influenced by left-wing and Communist elements and are organized separately from the associations of members of the free professions.)

Edward Hamis of Beit Jalla, a member of the Jordanian parliament, yesterday published an article in "Al Kuds" the East Jerusalem daily, in which he severely criticized the "West Bank mayors" for joining

them of hypocrisy and dishonesty in their dealings with both Jordan and the PLO.

In Gaza, Mayor Rashad Shawwa earlier this week presented Assistant Secretary of State Harold Saunders with a list of conditions under which he would be prepared to approach King Hussein and Yasser Arafat and attempt to persuade them to join the negotiations on the Camp David agreements.

Among the conditions are the answers the U.S. will give regarding the Israeli settlements in the West Bank and Gaza, the status of the territories after the interim period and the control of public lands under the proposed autonomous government. Shawwa told Saunders that if the answers were "reasonable" he would try to convince Jordan and the PLO to join the talks.

MASSIVE HOARDING

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up on tea, peas, rice, detergents — and even toilet paper. There has even been a stockpiling of alcoholic beverages.

The public cannot hoard frozen chickens, for the simple reason that almost none is to be had, with supplies only about 20 per cent of normal. According to Kraus, the panic is caused by the media, which carry daily stories of anticipated price increases.

Ya'acov Brukhar, manager of the Superols supermarket in Jerusalem's Rehov Agnon, had a similar story to tell, with perhaps somewhat less exaggeration. The main lack in his store is of frozen chicken — which, he said, had caused a 25 per cent price rise for fresh poultry, including parts. Eggs and frozen beef, however, are in normal supply.

Mapam yesterday accused the Treasury of causing panic buying of basic foodstuffs. According to the opposition party there are serious social and economic reasons for not slashing the subsidies wholesale, and the only result of cutting them will be a further sharp boost in inflation. The party demanded that the Treasury renew its contacts with the Histadrut over the economy.

Meir Palti of the Shelli Party called for an urgent meeting of the Knesset to debate the wave of hoarding and what he said was the speculation involved.

The Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Tourism said yesterday that their inspectors have not so far found any signs of hoarding by wholesalers — but the inspectors will continue to check.

In another aspect of the anticipa-

tion of sharp price increases soon, the public yesterday rushed to buy government bonds. The Bank of Israel yesterday sold IL70m. worth and was unable to supply demand for an additional IL70m.

The central bank will today issue IL500m. worth of new bonds to supply the demand on the part of people who want to safeguard the value of their savings. Since the beginning of the month, the Bank of Israel has sold IL300m. worth of bonds.

Tank chief: Pullout will cramp army

Jerusalem Post Reporter

IDF units withdrawn from Sinai will have to make do with one fifth the area they have been used to, according to Armoured Corps commander Aluf Moshe Peled. Aluf Peled termed this effect of the IDF's redeployment "a very grave constraint."

Speaking with military affairs correspondents on the eve of Armoured Corps Day, Peled also noted that during the two-stage redeployment military risks will be graver and thus readiness should be high.

"In a period of withdrawal and political changes the IDF should be on the alert more than ever before," he said.

Peled refused to comment directly on remarks made recently by his predecessor, Aluf Avraham Adan, regarding lack of separation between the development and acquisition functions in the Israeli Merkava (Chariot) tank project.

Jewish terror bomb suspect remanded for 15 more days

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Yosef ("Jo-Jo") Nidam, the 34-year-old man suspected of agreeing to plant a 52 kilo bomb in the centre of Jerusalem and of smuggling explosives for the terrorists, was remanded for a further 15 days in the Jerusalem Magistrate's Court yesterday.

The police requested his further detention so that they could complete their investigation and have him tried in a military court.

Nidam was arrested together with two East Jerusalemites, Ribhi Sharabati, 65, and his son shortly before they were allegedly to have placed a bomb in the heart of Jerusalem's cinema area on Thursday, October 5. The bomb, one of the largest ever encountered here, was defused by a police sapper 35 minutes before it was due to explode.

The police indicated in court yesterday that Nidam knew of the proposed operation at least 10-15 days before the bomb was supposed to be planted, and yet had not come forward with this information until he was detained for driving while his licence was suspended.

Nidam's attorney, Zvi Lidski, said that Nidam was the victim of a terrible mistake and was in actual fact a "hero" who had risked his life to save hundreds of people.

In response to the attorney's questions, the police representative admitted that the security services had provided Nidam with a room at

the Jerusalem Plaza Hotel for 15 days prior to his arrest, and that was legally at that time a free man.

Lidski also confirmed that Nidam had been fettered and congratulated security personnel originally for that, but he said they knew about a part in smuggling the explosives and arms from Lebanon.

The police representative said Nidam is suspected of having smuggled explosives from a Lebanese border on four occasions for the terrorists. On the fourth occasion at least, he himself suspected that he was smuggling explosives and not drugs as he originally maintained.

Judge Simha, in agreeing to extend Nidam's detention, stated that there were grounds to believe that he had indeed suspected, least on the last occasion, that he was smuggling explosives for terrorists.

Meanwhile, Israel TV reported last night that four Lebanese residents have been arrested in a roundup of belonging to the smuggling ring in which Nidam allegedly involved. Police believe the ring comprised 10 members, including Nidam.

Nidam is the first Jew to be linked operationally with the terrorist movements (Ikhud Avdi and Vered) were both convicted in 1974, passing information to the Syrian. He could face charges of aiding an enemy in time of war and conspiring to commit murder.

Government entente gets mixed reception in Beirut

BEIRUT. — Sniping and occasional shellfire continued in Beirut yesterday and Moslem-Christian reaction to a government plan for national entente was mixed.

The Christian Phalangist radio said sniping and sporadic shelling persisted in the eastern and southeastern suburbs of Beirut between Syrian "peacekeeping" troops and the Christian militias. The action undermined the continued tensions straining the 19-day-old truce in Lebanon.

A government plan to end the crisis, approved by the cabinet, called for disarmament of militias, restrictions on Palestinian

terrorists, prosecution of military civilians cooperating with Lebanese organizing the army and a day for national reconciliation.

Rightist leader Fawzi Chamm quickly announced he had no confidence in the majority of the Syrian-dominated Arab peacekeeping forces in Lebanon and that the Syrian troops should have enforced reasons on the Palestinians long ago.

Lebanese leftists, on the other hand, were critical of entente what they perceive to be a Christian dominated Lebanese army of security missions and drafting plan for army reorganization. They applauded the call for a cease down on those dealing with Israel.

Haddad turns down Unifil requests for new positions, freer movement

Jerusalem Post Reporter

METULLA. — Unifil commander Major-General Emmanuel Brikine yesterday asked Major Saad Haddad, commander of the Christian militias in South Lebanon, to allow Unifil to assume a number of new positions inside the Christian enclaves and turn over some Christian positions on the UN. Haddad refused to accede to Brikine's request.

Their meeting, which took place in the village of Blat, some two kilometres north of Marjayoun, was the first of its kind and took place at the request of the UN. Brikine also requested operational freedom of movement in all of South Lebanon and permission for Unifil's French troops to operate again in the area.

Haddad said he would not permit Unifil to advance any further since it was a proven fact that wherever Unifil was positioned the terrorists were also present. He said it was impossible to conceive of handing over his positions to the UN. All he would agree to were certain logistic arrangements and administrative

freedom of movement for Unifil soldiers to move in the area, something only French General Quig, who Haddad accused of working for interests of the French government rather than exclusively within Unifil mandate.

Haddad's second-in-command, Lieutenant Rik al-Hadad, a journalist, said he and other Christian militia members were threatened by the Lebanese government's announcement that soldiers working with Israel were to be punished. He said they believed what they were doing, that cooperation with Israel was for the good of the area and all Lebanese was quite legitimate.

In answer to a question, Deputy Premier Yigael Yadin, who yesterday visited Kiryat Shmuna, said Israel's policy of aid to Christians in Lebanon would continue. He also said that when facts can be revealed it will be clear that this assistance was more extensive than is generally agreed.

Conciliatory mood as Unesco head tackles Israel issue

PARIS (UPI). — Amadou Mahtar M'Bow, director general of the UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (Unesco), yesterday denied that tensions are inevitable at the current Unesco general conference between Israel and the Arab states.

M'Bow, in his speech opening the general debate, inserted conciliatory comments that were not in his prepared text.

M'Bow, who is from Senegal, said that before the conference opened, some news organizations "had decided that the problems taken up by this organization are conflicts and considered that this question (of Israel) would lead to confrontation. But it is not a matter of inciting any kind of tension," he said.

M'Bow released to the conference two documents on reports of Unesco-appointed experts on education for

Arabs in Israel-administered territories and archaeological sites in Jerusalem which the Arabs allege are ruining their monuments and culture.

These two matters resulted in Israel being condemned by Unesco in 1974 and banned from regional Unesco activities. They will be taken up in committee meetings beginning on November 13.

Israel was reinstated in 1976 and the U.S. in support of Israel refused to pay its dues which amount to 1 per cent of Unesco's budget.

The document on education for Israel refuses to permit a second Unesco investigation of education, says that if Israel does not "cooperate," M'Bow would be obliged to request new directives from the general conference concerning education to be taken.

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widow of the late journalist Ernest Laszlo, we will visit her grave at the Har Hamegubot cemetery, Jerusalem, on Sunday, October 29 at 3

TV programming resumes as engineers heed appeals

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

All television programming was resumed yesterday evening as engineers heeded appeals returned to work.

The appeals came from Absorption Minister David Levy — active in the engineers' work day with the Civil Service Commission and Moshe Gidron, director-general of the Ministry of Communications.

Study says seatbelts cut deaths by 8%

The wearing of seatbelts has cut fatalities in interurban traffic by 8 percent, the Knesset Finance Committee was told yesterday. The findings were announced as the committee approved a measure extending the compulsory use of the belts to small commercial vehicles.

The findings were part of a Technion study covering the 18 months since it became compulsory for persons in the front seat of private cars to wear seatbelts when riding outside of towns. The study also showed a 5 percent drop in the number of persons injured in intercity traffic.

Efforts to avert teachers strike

Jerusalem Post Reporter

As part of the efforts to avert a teachers' strike scheduled for November 12, Education Minister Yehonatan Hammer yesterday met in Tel Aviv with Shalom Levin, secretary-general of the Histadrut Teachers Union, and with representatives of the National Parents' Association. This afternoon the minister meets with Reuven Hiram, head of the Secondary School Teachers Association.

Doctors call off one-day strike

TEL AVIV. — The Israel Medical Association postponed its one-day strike scheduled for this Sunday. The decision came after progress was made yesterday between the negotiating committee representing the government and the association.

Thieves have field day in Jerusalem

A man injured in a road accident yesterday was taken to hospital with a broken leg. He was hurt by thieves who broke into a building, machine, and made off with IL22,000 — in one lira piece.

These were just two of the 84 thefts committed in Jerusalem during the 24-hour period ending last night, the worst the capital has known for some months. Police managed to arrest 18 suspects, most of whom are cooperating with investigators and are reported to have admitted some of the thefts.

Their works committee claimed that a pledge made to them earlier this month by Levy, that a meeting of the "Committee of Four" would be held on Wednesday morning, had been violated.

The committee comprises representatives of the Civil Service Commission, the Histadrut, the workers and the public. According to a formula worked out by Levy to end the engineers' work stoppage a few weeks ago, this committee was to be empowered to explore the workers' demands and make binding recommendations.

The demands have not yet been made public. But they are understood to include a seven per cent retroactive pay hike — like the one granted the postal workers recently — and revamping the job grade schedule.

All through Wednesday night and yesterday morning, Gidron pleaded with the engineers' works committee to "stop making the public the victim of our dispute." He and Levy pointed out that the cabinet, because of the peace treaty discussions, had not been able to discuss wage policy this week, as had been scheduled.

But, Gidron promised, the "Committee of Four" would convene immediately following next Sunday's cabinet meeting. The ministers will decide on a wage policy in the light of the burgeoning union demands for wage hikes exceeding the 15 per cent limit set by Finance Minister Simha Amir.

While assenting to withhold further blackouts of TV, the engineers' leaders said the ban on telephone repairs and installations remains in effect.



Rami Kotzer, one of the 15 blind IDF veterans participating in a three-day cycling tour of the Jerusalem area, rides through the streets of the capital yesterday. Behind him is his sighted "navigator," Moti Lev. The cyclists ride from Jerusalem to Tel Aviv today. (Rahamim Israel)

Kollek loses cool over flower

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The wrath of Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek descended this week on a young American woman who plucked a flower from a traffic island as the mayor happened to drive by.

The mayor's indignation, in turn, brought the city a gift of \$100 from another American who witnessed the scene.

Kollek spotted a woman picking the rose on Derech Ruppin near the Israel Museum on Wednesday and ordered his driver to stop the car. To the surprise of his aides, the mayor leaped out and began shouting at her. "There are a million tourists who visit the city every year," he said. "What would happen if each one of them picked a flower?"

The young woman turned to Kollek's aides and asked "Who is this crazy man?" When the woman

refused to identify herself, Kollek insisted that an aide telephone the police.

An American tourist approached the scene and handed over a cheque for \$100. "I've seen a lot of mayors in my time," he said, according to one of Kollek's aides, "but I never saw anyone fighting over a flower. If you spend this much money on it, it must be worth a lot of money. I'd like to pay for it."

Meanwhile, Kollek's aides had calmed him down and persuaded him to leave before the police arrived. The young woman is believed to have made her getaway with her flower but observers doubted that she would ever pick one in Jerusalem again.

One of Kollek's aides said the mayor had been upset earlier in the day after seeing the damage done to trees in the Valley of the Cross by residents cutting foliage for their sukkot.

Old rivals clash in cricket final

By JACK LEON
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Old rivals Ramle and Petah Tikva meet in Ashdod tomorrow in the Israel Cricket Association's 11th annual league cup final. The 80-over "derby" match between these two evenly-balanced sides starts at 4 a.m.

The teams previously met in the final in 1974, with Petah Tikva's success giving the club one of its two cup victories to date. Ramle has twice finished as runner-up, but has never yet won the cup.

Petah Tikva, which is led by Noah

Davidson, last weekend completed its semi-final against title-holders Ashdod "A" with a narrow victory by 10 runs. Ramle, captained by Nissan Reuben, defeated Young Ashdod by 47 runs to reach the last round for the third time. Tomorrow's winner will receive the ICA's Silbowitz trophy, which commemorates the memory of leading cricketer David "Dudi" Silbowitz, who fell in the Yom Kippur War.

Dentists get their teeth into tennis tourney

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

RAMAT HASHARON. — The newly-formed Israel Dental Tennis Association (IDTA) is today holding its first annual national championships at the tennis centre here, starting at 8 a.m.

More than 30 dentists and dental students — all of them men — have entered for the meet, which consists of singles and doubles matches. IDTA president John Greenstone told The Jerusalem Post yesterday.

Hockey practices

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Tel Aviv Maccabi hockey club is holding practice sessions every Saturday at 8 p.m. at the new Yarkon park sports grounds ("Sportek"), in preparation for the Israel Hockey Association's upcoming league season.

The Hebrew University hockey club's weekly practice takes place on Wednesday at 4 p.m. at the Givat Ram sports stadium.

Missing U.S. sailor reports to embassy

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Robert Erney, the 19-year-old American sailor who was reported absent without leave when his ship, the USS Albany, left Haifa on Monday, has contacted U.S. naval authorities at the embassy in Tel Aviv and "is being assisted to rejoin his ship."

Police could not confirm reports that a man dressed in a U.S. naval uniform had been seen in the company of a young woman on the beach at Nevot earlier in the week. The Albany is the flagship of the U.S. Sixth Fleet.



LITVINOVSKY on Saturday evening, October 28 at 5 p.m.

Opening of Exhibition of Oil Paintings and Lithographs

at Arta Gallery, Jerusalem, Rehov Bebbi Akiva (near Orgil Cinema)

Additional exhibitions of Pinhas Litvinovsky: Haifa — Goldman Gallery, 23b Sderot Hanassi Tel Aviv — Assaf Gallery, 28 Rehov Gordon (beginning November 19)

The exhibitions are meant to mark the issue of the lithograph album "Images" (by Mourlot, Paris), published by IGA Ltd.

H.U. quota for disadvantaged social work students doubled

By HAIM SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Hebrew University School of Social Work is this year expanding a programme under which disadvantaged students are admitted under a special quota system, director of admissions Dr. Eliezer Jaffe told The Jerusalem Post yesterday.

Jaffe said the programme is designed to correct an admissions policy which results in an upper-middle class Ashkenazi student body which is then called upon to deal professionally with socially deprived clients of Middle Eastern origin. He stressed that the disadvantaged students are fully qualified, but he added that with seven applicants fighting for every place in the first-year class, they would not ordinarily be admitted.

Last year, he explained, the school took 10 such students and they left their imprint on the student body by bringing into the classroom the attitudes, experience and even the language of those with whom the graduate social workers will be called upon to work. This year 20 of the 120 entering students will be part of the special programme.

The programme, he said, was initiated by the school itself, with no

pressure from the outside. In the U.S., similar programmes have only come about following agitation from underprivileged groups.

He said funding for the project, which includes tutoring for the students, came from a private donor, Raquel Newman of Los Altos, California, who asked him how she could help after he lectured in the area. Mrs. Newman stipulated, however, that her contribution for the pilot project must be matched by the Joint Distribution Committee.

The JDC, in turn, participated on condition that scholarships were found for the students. These came from the World Sephardi Federation.

But not all the students in the programme are Sephardim. An Ashkenazi girl and two Arab boys are also participating this year. The criteria for selecting them was simply social deprivation, such as crowded homes and parents with little education.

The pilot project is to run another three years. Dr. Jaffe hopes that during this period it will achieve permanent funding. He also hopes that such programmes could be extended to other faculties within the university, other universities and, in particular, other schools of social work.

PLO presents: The disillusion twins

BEIRUT (AP). — The PLO staged a press conference yesterday for two Soviet Jews who claim they were persecuted in Israel after becoming disillusioned with Zionism.

"We have discovered the Palestinians are not the fascists and sadists that Israeli propaganda portrayed them as," one of the two, who identified himself as Leonid Weinman, said at a PLO office in Moslem West Beirut.

Weinman said he and his 27-year-old twin brother, Arkady, "had trouble with Zionist authorities from the first day we landed in Israel." He did not clearly explain how he and his brother became disillusioned with Zionism on their first day in Israel but said the Israeli secret service began following them shortly after they arrived from the Ukrainian city of Kharkov in August 1976.

The press conference and report were strikingly similar to conferences held in Moscow by Soviet Jews who said they learned too late about conditions in Israel. The Weinman brothers said they would not return to the Soviet Union, but they

were not critical of their former homeland.

"I can speak for the PLO in saying we will do everything to help these two brothers find a place to live and continue their work exposing the crimes of Zionism," a PLO spokesman told the assembled newsmen.

The world's press had been summoned to the PLO's publicity department at 9:30 sharp to meet the two, both music teachers.

Over the past two years, the brothers said, they had made several journeys to Europe and at least one trip to Turkey.

After a trip to Greece, they said, they were deported back to Israel, but made another try in Turkey, only to confront a similar fate and be returned to Tel Aviv.

"During our stay in Israel we were given a very hard time. The authorities did not grant us citizenship papers, they gave us no jobs and treated us badly," they said.

It was in a Turkish jail that Leonid said he met a Palestinian Arab and came to know and respect the PLO.

Court won't allow security prisoner to head local elections list

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The appeal of the Umm El-Fahm radical Sons of the Village party to allow its local elections list to be headed by a prisoner serving six years for security offences was refused yesterday in district court.

The candidate had been convicted for belonging to an illegal organization and having contact with a foreign agent. Umm El-Fahm is located on the Hadera-Afula road.

The district court accepted the election clerk's claim that the candidate's offences disqualified him from appearing on the local council list. Following the clerk's decision, a representative of the list appealed to

the court, arguing that in the opinion of the villagers there was no disgrace in what the prisoner had done.

In her verdict District Court Judge Shoshana Netanyanu said that she did not think that this affair was limited solely to the villagers. There was, in her opinion, disgrace in the activities of a person who gives indirect assistance to a hostile organization which carried out murderous attacks against citizens. The fact that the prisoner did not personally carry out any attacks or murder anybody with his own hands did not change the situation. It is enough that he helped the terrorist organization to disqualify him from public candidature, she said.



Rapist sentenced to four years

TEL AVIV (Him). — A 19-year-old man from Rosh Ha'ayin was yesterday sentenced by the Tel Aviv District Court to four years in jail for the rape of a girl, aged 17.

Eliyahu Levi met the girl in a bus line as she was on her way to register for army service at the Tel Haahomer recruiting office. He offered to show her the way, waited for her while she was being processed and then volunteered to accompany her home. En route, he persuaded her to go with him to a secluded spot near Kibbutz Einat, where he raped her.

Bogus insurance agent gets two years in jail

TEL AVIV (Him). — A Bat Yam man was sentenced to two years in jail yesterday for selling bogus car insurance certificates. The prosecution charged that he had caused damage to his clients estimated at IL70,000.

David Bechor, 37, was convicted in the district court here on several counts of fraud and forgery. He was found guilty of selling insurance certificates which had no cover, and of practicing without a licence.

The prosecution noted that Bechor had been convicted on similar charges in the past, and even though the court had then treated him leniently he had continued to sell bogus certificates.

In addition to his two years in jail, Bechor was given a further two years suspended sentence.

More Druse want to be registered as Arabs

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — More than 10 Druse from Galilee and Mt. Carmel villages yesterday requested Interior Ministry offices to register them in their identity cards as Arabs by nationality and not as Druse.

The ministry is not handling these requests pending a decision by the district court here on the issue of whether the Druse are Arabs or a separate nationality. The court is scheduled to hear on December 12 a petition by two Druse from Iftiya who claim that according to historical fact, personal belief and feeling, they are Arabs by nationality and Druse by religion.

HAHA SCULPTURE

The Ahava sculpture reproduced in The Jerusalem Post yesterday was presented to the Israel Museum by Raymond and Beverly Sackler of New York.

DOOR DIRTIED. — Jerusalem police are investigating a complaint by the Ethiopian church that the entrance to the church compound in Rehov Ethiopia was dirtied before dawn yesterday.

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TAMAR ESHEL is number 16 on Teddy's "One Jerusalem" list. Her election will give Teddy's list a majority on the City Council which consists of 31 representatives.

Only a majority on the City Council will enable Teddy Kollek to work effectively for the continued development of the city.

Tamar Eshel will continue to be a faithful representative of the residents of Jerusalem, as in the past five years. Born in Israel, she was active in the British Army during World War II, the Hagannah and The Israel Defense Forces. She chaired the UN Commission on the Status of Women and has represented Israel in various roles for the Foreign Office and in UN bodies. She was Secretary of the National Council for Research and Development and most recently, Secretary General of Na'amat, Pioneer Women.



Tamar Eshel, Member of Knesset

If you support Teddy Kollek put two ballot slips in the same envelope: A yellow slip with the name of Teddy Kollek and a white slip with the Hebrew letters "א" for "ONE JERUSALEM".



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Local police chief slain on Shah's grey birthday

TEHRAN (UPI). — The police chief of the southern Iranian town of Jahrom was shot dead and his martial law administrator critically wounded by a sniper as the two were returning from ceremonies marking the Shah's 59th birthday, the official Pars news agency reported yesterday.

The military authorities in Jahrom launched tight security measures after the city's chief of police, Col. Tasaodi, and Gen. Ahmad Nadvar, the martial law administrator, were hit by gunfire from an unidentified sniper on a rooftop. The sniper fled after the attack.

In Tehran, the Iranian army deployed its combat helicopters, tanks and armoured vehicles in a formidable show of force to scare anti-Shah demonstrators off the streets. But the day passed relatively peacefully.

The troops in Tehran displayed their machineguns and M16 rifles, but used rubber pellets to disperse thousands of black-shirted students trying to recapture the troubled Tehran University campus. There were some scattered incidents where troops fired in the air to frighten the youths, but no casualties were reported.

About 100 demonstrators attacked the Italian embassy in downtown Tehran. Several windows were damaged by stoning, but embassy guards repulsed youths who tried to enter the embassy grounds.

No cause for the attack was known. Witnesses said it appeared that the attackers mistook the Italian mission for the French embassy building next door.

France has been under opposition

attacks allegedly for limiting the anti-Shah political activities of the Shia Muslim leader Ayatollah Roolollah Khomeini, chief opponent of the regime, who is currently living in Paris.

The official celebrations of the Shah's birthday proceeded on a low tone, although government buildings were decorated in celebration of the royal birthday.

There were stray cases of arson in the capital in which cars were burnt. Several private cars used by students as barriers around the university area were damaged.

Many demonstrators in Tehran wore black to defy the official celebrations of the birthday and beat their chests as if mourning.

Meanwhile, Radio Iran announced that a strike threatening Iranian oil exports from the southern oilfields had ended yesterday, after 31 days.

The oil strike had aroused fears that Iran's 5m. barrels a day oil exports could be affected. The newspaper "Kayhan" said yesterday that a continuation of the strike could have jeopardized loading of supertankers at the Kharg Island terminal.

A strike by the National Iranian Radio and Television which blacked out the capital's three channels on Wednesday night was apparently to continue, although television broadcasts were resumed yesterday afternoon.

A spokesman for the strikers explained that the broadcasts were resumed in view of the Shah's birthday and that the strike, postponed for the day, would take full effect again today.

U.S. experts see Indochina flareup soon

WASHINGTON (AP). — Vietnam has sent 10,000 to 15,000 reinforcements to its army facing Cambodia amid expectations of intensified fighting within the next few weeks, U.S. intelligence sources say.

These sources, who declined to be named, estimated that Vietnam now has about 100,000 fighting men in position to push deeper into Cambodia if Hanoi decides on such a move. The reinforcements are said to have arrived in southern Vietnam from the north within the last month.

The Vietnamese are reportedly in effective control of an irregular strip of territory on the Cambodian side of the border. However, most of their units are deployed in five Vietnamese provinces within striking distance of Cambodia, the sources said.

Fighting between the two one-time Communist allies — it began after their Indochinese victories of 1975 — has slowed during the rainy season, but U.S. intelligence sources say the Vietnamese have been conducting battalion-sized sweeps while Cambodian troops have staged small hit-and-run attacks into Vietnam.

With the onset of the dry season, U.S. analysts predict some Vietnamese battlefield initiatives in coming weeks. The consensus among intelligence specialists is that the Vietnamese will concentrate on wearing down the smaller Cambodian forces with steady pressure.

China yesterday charged that a Vietnamese land mine placed on the Chinese side of the border killed a child, and accused the neighbouring communist government of repeated frontier violations. The Government demanded that the Vietnamese side stop all acts of encroachment.

WHO celebrates the death of smallpox

GENEVA (UPI). — The World Health Organization (WHO) yesterday triumphantly celebrated the virtual eradication of smallpox, a disease which killed or maimed 2.5 million people every year and which cost \$2 billion annually to contain.

The last known case of smallpox being transmitted from one person to another was detected in Somalia exactly one year ago. Africa has thus been free of the disease for one year while Asia has not had a case for three years.

WHO dismisses as a freak the smallpox death in Britain last month due to the leakage of virus from a laboratory in Birmingham.

The UN health agency started its smallpox eradication programme in 1967. The programme cost only \$300m., a small price compared to the \$2b. annually being spent on containment of the disease. The WHO programme is heralded as the most cost-effective undertaking of the UN or any of its specialized agencies.

Under WHO rules it will be one

more year — making two years after the last known person-to-person transmission — when smallpox can be certified as globally eradicated.

The agency is now recommending various uses for the funds released by the end of the fight against smallpox.

It proposes a global campaign, costing \$100m. to \$200m. a year, to immunize the world's children against measles, diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough, polio and tuberculosis.

U.S., Soviets may ban arms sales to rest of the world

WASHINGTON (AP). — The U.S. and the Soviet Union — thanks to an agreement Secretary of State Cyrus Vance worked out in Moscow this week — will begin formal discussions later this year on a possible ban on arms sales to the rest of the world.

The most recent round of strategic arms limitation negotiations produced an agreement whereby representatives of the two countries will meet in Mexico City in December to discuss the ban, a State Department official said Wednesday night.

"The Washington Post" reported in yesterday's edition that the Mexico City talks would centre on cutting sales to Latin America, where the Soviet Union has few allies and weapons customers. But a State Department official, who asked to remain anonymous, said the talks would not be that specific.

President Jimmy Carter also plans to send Vance to Geneva next month for another round of strategic arms limitation talks with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko, according to U.S. sources.

The idea is to try to complete a treaty and have it signed by Carter

and Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev at a summit meeting before the end of the year.

The treaty would limit each country to a total of 2,350 strategic bombers and intercontinental ballistic missiles. Soon after completion, U.S. and Soviet negotiators would get to work on a follow-up treaty with further cutbacks.

Vance's meeting with Gromyko will mark their ninth round of weapons talks in less than two years. Overall, the Americans and the Soviets have been working on a treaty for six years.

In Washington, meanwhile, Defence Department officials said the administration was expected to ask Congress for millions of dollars to move into full development of a mobile intercontinental missile but to delay a decision on how to deploy it.

U.S. and Soviet negotiators have tentatively decided to permit one new land-based and one new sea-launched missile system to each side during the life of the treaty. For the U.S., these probably would be the MX mobile missile and a new Trident submarine.

Brezhnev said 'too ill' to handle Salt negotiations

LONDON (UPI). — "The Times" said yesterday the health of Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev is now so uncertain that Western observers believe he no longer is capable of serious negotiations.

In a front page story by the newspaper's foreign editor, Charles Douglas-Home, "The Times" said this is one of the reasons why the final stages of the Strategic Arms Limitation (SALT) Talks are proving so difficult.

"The Americans," it said, "recognize that while the Soviet leader is still able to stick closely to a brief, if the brief is on the table in front of him, he is virtually unable now to deviate from it or show any spontaneous flexibility."

"The Times" said the causes of Brezhnev's physical condition are not clear, although Western observers are confident it is not cancer. "He has considerable difficulty with his speech, and there are apparently symptoms of some cardiovascular weakness as well," the paper said.

Somali rebel officers executed

NAIROBI (AP). — Thousands of persons yesterday witnessed the execution by firing squad in Mogadishu of 17 army officers sentenced to death for taking part in an abortive coup against President Mohamed Siad Barre last April.

The court had also sentenced 40 other men, mainly army privates, to jail terms ranging from 20 to 25 years for their part in the short-lived rebellion against Barre's military regime.

Nineteen soldiers were acquitted because of insufficient evidence. Mogadishu Radio, in a broadcast taken place at the police academy in Mogadishu's Hamar Jajbeh quarter.

The radio said: "The executions were carried out by a firing squad formed by soldiers of the armed forces and were witnessed by thousands of people from all areas of Mogadishu." It said the 17 had been found guilty by the national security court "of offences against the unity, independence and sovereignty of the state."

There had been speculation that Barre, who granted an amnesty for more than 2,000 prisoners earlier this week to mark Somalia's revolution day, would exercise presidential clemency and commute the death sentences imposed on the officers.

The coup attempt was a result of Somalia's defeat to Cuban and Soviet-backed Ethiopian troops in the Ogaden desert war earlier this year.

U.S. women climbers die on Annapurna

KATMANDU, Nepal (AP). — Two members of an American women's expedition climbing the 8,090-metre Annapurna main peak have died, an official of Nepal's Ministry of Tourism said yesterday.

The official said, "We are still waiting for details from the base camp."

Since there is no radio communication between Katmandu and the base camp, a helicopter was sent to the base camp yesterday afternoon and was expected to return to Katmandu this morning.

On October 15, Americans Irene Miller, 42, and Vera Komarkova, 36, reached the summit of the world's 10th highest mountain, accompanied by two male Sherpa guides. Arlene Blum, 33, leader of the 10-woman team, had set out to conquer a high peak which never had been climbed by an American or a woman.

Fire-suicide no.5 in Britain this month

BIRMINGHAM England (AP). — A man from the West Indies doused his clothing with kerosene and set himself afire on Wednesday night in a passersby watched in horror as he was the fifth death-by-immolation in Britain this month. Police identified the man as Patrick Lawrence, 30, about 30.

Witnesses said he sat on a park bench, soaked himself in kerosene and struck a match. He took a few steps before collapsing in flames.

Dr. Richard Fox, a psychiatric consultant to the Samaritans, a charitable group that helps potential suicide cases, attributed the man's outbreak to the urge to imitate. "I think there is clear evidence that imitative suicides can occur," he told reporters.

Yamani in Venezuela for oil price talks

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP). — Saudi Oil Minister Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani is in Venezuela to meet President Carlos Andres Perez, Venezuelan Energy Minister Valentin Hernandez, and other high government officials.

Yamani arrived on Wednesday for a two-day visit and is staying at the

presidential guesthouse, according to newspaper reports. The visit was not announced ahead of time.

Yamani, a key figure within the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), is expected to discuss oil prices. The cartel will meet in December to consider a price increase.

Nobel Peace Prize winner due to be named today

OSLO (AP). — Nearly 80 individuals and organizations, including the Salvation Army, have been nominated for the 1978 Nobel Peace Prize. The award, if any, will be announced today by the Norwegian Nobel Institute.

The names of the nominees and the final list of candidates are never revealed, but Jacob Sverdrup, director of the institute, indicated there will be a winner this year.

President Anwar Sadat of Egypt has been mentioned as a possible winner because of his peace initiative with Israel. Two West German legislators, Kurt Jung and Juergen Moellmann, have said they proposed Sadat and Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin as joint candidates.

French, Canadian and Norwegian legislators also have proposed the international Salvation Army for the prize, which this year will be worth about \$165,000.

Last year, the peace prize was awarded to Amnesty International, the London-based human rights organization that works on behalf of political prisoners throughout the world.

Anti-Kreisky outburst laid to admiral

BONN (Reuters). — West German Admiral Horst Wenig is under investigation following an accusation that he called Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky "a Socialist pig and a Jew who should have been gassed by Hitler," the Defence Ministry said on Wednesday.

A spokesman told a news conference that the inspector of the navy had ordered an official investigation of the flotilla admiral, who is deputy chief of the naval office in Wilhelmshaven, and of an unnamed naval commander.

He said the inquiry followed a complaint from Socialist member of parliament Paul Neumann.

The alleged remarks were quoted by the magazine "Stern" in a report

which said they were based on information from Neumann.

"Stern" said the admiral made the remarks in an officers' mess while under the influence of alcohol and that the naval commander had called members of the West German government "criminals."

The two officers have denied the magazine's allegations and have started legal proceedings against Neumann's chief witness, an unidentified civil employee of the Defence Ministry.

The target of Wenig's reported remarks, Chancellor Kreisky, was born a Jew but has frequently declared that he no longer considers himself one.

Former Egyptian deputy Prime Minister named in Westinghouse bribe case

WASHINGTON (AP). — A former Egyptian deputy prime minister allegedly received extensive bribes from Westinghouse Electric Corp. according to secret court documents quoted by "The Washington Post."

The Egyptian was identified as Ahmed Sultan Ismail, and the newspaper said in yesterday's edition that he was dropped from

President Anwar Sadat's government earlier this month.

"The Post" said Ismail is an electrical engineer who rose to become deputy prime minister for production, and he is alleged to have received \$322,000 in bribes from Westinghouse. The newspaper said the court documents allege the bribes were paid in return for awarding \$30m. in contracts to Westinghouse to supply electricity plants to Egypt.

Justice Department spokesman Robert Havel, asked to comment on the report, said on Wednesday night, "I don't know if this is true or not. He declined further comment."

"The Post" reported that the Egyptian embassy in Washington said Ismail, 54, had returned to private life in Egypt.

Two upsets in tough nat'l basketball league round

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporters. — There were two upset results, one player was thrown out of the game, and tempers flared at the sixth round of the national basketball league's first division was played on Wednesday night.

Ramat Gan Maccabi managed the year's first major upset beating Haifa Hapoel, 90-89, in a sizzling game played at Kibbutz Shefayim. The 1,000 fans who filled the gym at Shefayim saw the visitors from Haifa lead most of the first half due to superior height and accurate shooting. Haifa finished the half with a 34-47 lead. At the 25-minute mark Ramat Gan began to rally behind the play of Uri Ben Ari and Gene Bentz, and with five minutes to go Maccabi pulled to within 80-78 of the visitors. The final minutes were dominated by Bentz in a fierce battle with Ramat Gan's Bob Griffin scoring the winning basket 25 seconds to the end, to even its record at 3-3 for the year. Ben Ari was the game's high scorer with 28 points, while Shai Sharf scored 23 for the losers.

Another upset saw faltering Gan Shmuel Hapoel lose at home, 67-70, to Tel Aviv Betar in another hotly contested game. The first 30 minutes of the game were dominated by Betar, whose Muli Avissar led the way to 48-31 at halftime. With Betar ahead 62-47 in the second half Gan Shmuel took the initiative and closed the gap until the finish. Avissar led all scorers with 28 points.

Audie Perry gained the dubious distinction of being the first player thrown out of a game this year in Tel Aviv Maccabi's 90-78 win over Yagur Ha'emek in Yed Eilahu in Tel Aviv. Yagur put up a good fight during the game even though they were outmanned by Tel Aviv Maccabi. Only four players scored for Yagur as they stayed close to Maccabi for 30 minutes utilizing a "bunker" zone defence. With nine minutes left and Maccabi leading 70-61, Perry punched Yagur centre Gaby Teicher in the stomach and was immediately

ejected from the game.

At that point Maccabi, behind the shooting of Lou Silver, took over and ran away with the game. Silver finished with 24 points while Yagur's Ira Harari was tops for the losers with 28.

In a battle of the winless, South Tel Aviv Maccabi gained its first victory of the year, 83-76, sending Tel Aviv Elitzur to its sixth straight loss at Yed Eilahu. With both teams looking to break into the win column, the first half was fought on equal footing with Maccabi gaining the upper hand thanks to the rebounding of Yosi Leja. Maccabi took a 39-37 halftime lead and extended it in the second half despite Elitzur's attempts at a comeback. Leja finished as the game's high point getter with 26 points while Sol Lerner notched 24 for Elitzur.

Unbeaten Ramat Gan Hapoel played its home game in Holon against the local Hapoel team and rebounded from a sluggish first half to rout Holon, 97-72, after leading by only 43-35 at halftime. After the intermission Ramat Gan scored 22 points in the first 8 minutes and was never threatened. Steve Kaplan led all scorers with 23 points while Don Mezer's 15 was tops for Holon.

In Ashdod, Tel Aviv Hapoel had an easy time disposing of the local Hapoel squad waiting to a 99-68 triumph. Tel Aviv opened up to a 36-6 lead after 13 minutes and its win was never in doubt the rest of the way as Pinhas Hoses led the way with 23 points.

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CASPER: GOLFER PAR EXCELLENCE

HERE used to be a time, back in 1960s, when an American golfer would switch his television set on to final round of a major tournament and be sure of one thing. That a (I mean big), burly man named Billy Casper would be blasting and giving his way toward the 18th in vying for the top prize.

Casper was a member of an elite club that rewrote professional history, transforming it from a clear pastime into a multimillion dollar sport. For well over a decade Arnold Palmer, Gary Player, Jack Nicklaus played the game as if it were their private property.

Palmer, Player and Nicklaus — Big Three — all had media appeal to complement their talents. By Casper, on the other hand, a unassuming man from New Mexico, concentrated on playing and the ball instead of in front of television cameras.

He effort paid off. Over a 25-year career Casper won 51 pro tournaments in America, two U.S. Opens (58 and 1966) and the Masters in 60. Add to that 20 victories outside U.S., five Vardon trophies for scoring rounds, and eight elite performances on the U.S. Ryder Cup team and you understand why he is considered among golf's time greats.

For these outings Casper has shed over \$14m. in prize money. He had for swinging a stick at a little white ball.

By HARRY WALL
Special to The Jerusalem Post



Billy Casper (Richard Nowitz)

THE AMERICAN golf champion, a devoutly religious man, is now in Israel leading a group of his fellow Mormons on a visit billed as "Tour Holy Land with Billy Casper."

While in the country he plans to play golf at the Caesarea Country Club, where he was due yesterday for a free clinic for young golf enthusiasts.

Once the biggest man on the pro circuit, Casper has trimmed down considerably, shedding some 22 kilos in his stocky frame. "If you were watching me play on television, you probably thought your set was out of us," he jokes. He has also lost the ring edge of his game and for the two years has been dogged by a limp. What he hasn't lost, however, is his good-natured temperament — a toothy smile as wide as his shoulders.

"I still get as much enjoyment from the game as I did when I was a pro," says Casper, who began playing golf when he was four years old. His father's farm in New Mexico, used to take a club and a few balls to the cow pastures early in the morning and hit all day.

Long days of practice and "some power are what made Casper one of the most feared men in the fairways. His booming drives, his closest competitors, and his big man could also put with deadly accuracy and on more than one occasion wrapped up a week-end tournament with a side-winding only-footer. "It's a real pleasure taking up your mind that the ball is going to in," he explains as if it were as easy as that.

Golf aficionados best remember Casper for his extraordinary performance in the U.S. Open of 1966 in San Francisco. Seven shots behind Arnold Palmer with nine holes left in the tournament, Casper made one of the most exciting comebacks in the story of the classic events. He tied Palmer on the 18th hole and won the match in a playoff the following day.

ODAY, BILLY Casper is no longer a terror of the links. The grueling pace of playing the international circuit and the strong competition have taken their toll on his successes. A new wave of young players have taken over the sport. "When I

started playing the tour, you could count the potential winners on your fingers and toes," says the 47-year-old pro. "Today, 125 players qualify for a tournament, 100 are capable of winning."

With \$14m. in prize money at stake on the pro tour, it's easy to understand, says Casper, why so many talented athletes are now turning to tournament golf.

But Casper is hardly what you would call over the hill. Last year he won the Mexican Open and he has turned in some other strong performances. Nor is he bitter about relinquishing the mantle of the top echelon player. "I never dreamed I would ever come so far, and I appreciate all the success I've had on the tour," states Casper, in a twangy, western drawl. "Of course, I no longer take for granted that I can play well all the time."

Casper ascribes the enormous popularity of golf, both as a spectator and participant sport to three factors. Television, the charismatic Arnold Palmer and the enthusiasm that recent American presidents had for the game. Eisenhower was renowned as an avid golfer, as were Nixon and Ford. Casper has played with them all.

"He was the type of person who could stand in a crowd and you would never know he was there," says his former mentor. Casper describes Gerry Ford as another "regular type of guy. And there aren't many so devoted to the game as he is."

Casper is one of the few people to have seen ousted President Richard Nixon during his self-imposed exile in San Clemente, California. "He is in very good spirits and well recovered from his trauma," he notes that Nixon had difficulty keeping his mind on the game. "Just before we teed off on the 11th hole, he gave a 15 minute discourse on the

conflict between North and South Korea." While he feels Nixon is paying the price for his transgressions, Casper believes that he should be given the opportunity for public service. "It's a shame that he can't contribute his skills in foreign affairs," laments the golfer.

It's not unusual, adds Casper, for the former presidents to talk to their golfing companion about politics and personalities, although he would divulge no confidence. "The golf course is a great place for them to loosen up and speak freely."

AMERICAN presidents aren't the only national leaders who have turned to Casper for tips on their golf games. He has also played several times with Morocco's King Hassan. During a recent round on the royal course with the king, Casper commented that a sand trap was not placed correctly. "The next day the trap was moved," he notes with amusement. "Whatever the king wants..." chuckles the American pro.

The former U.S. champion believes that golf is a vehicle of international diplomacy and that the pros serve as ambassadors of goodwill. He is quick to condemn the subversion of sports to political considerations, such as those precluding the competition of Israelis in international tournaments. "An athlete should be judged solely on his talent and ability," he flatly declares.

Casper does not know what the state of the game is in Israel. "I met the club pro from Caesarea during a match in Switzerland, and he invited me to play on my next visit here (his second)."

What is certain is that the premium placed on land and water for other usages makes unlikely the development of more courses in Israel. Not to mention the \$750,000 to \$1m. that it costs to lay out a set of 18 links. "It's a shame," because the rich, rolling land in the Jordan Valley would be ideal as a site," says Casper who is now involved in the designing of golf courses.

WHEN HE IS not acting as an ambassador of golf, much of Billy Casper's time is taken up as an emissary of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He feels a particular attachment to the people of Israel because "according to the teachings of our church, the Mormons are descendants of the tribe of Joseph, and that makes us part of the house of Israel."

With him on this Holy Land mission is Sherman Young, great grandson of Brigham Young, a founder of the Mormon church. The main purpose of the mission is to dedicate a park in Jerusalem named after Orson Hyde, an apostle of the church who came to Palestine in 1841 following a missionary experience. The Municipality of Jerusalem has allocated a five-acre site for the construction of the Orson Hyde Memorial Gardens on the Mount of Olives, where the Mormon priest is said to have recited a prayer calling for the rebuilding of Jerusalem.

"Like Haral, Orson Hyde was a great Zionist," says Young proudly. Casper feels that his religion has helped him find greater meaning and enjoyment in life. It has also helped to make him the head of a rather large family. Since converting in 1966 to the Mormon faith, which encourages large families, Casper has fathered eight of his eleven children. "The church teaches love of a family and to appreciate children as blessings."

What advice does he have for weekend golfers? "Golf is meant to be a diversion and a form of relaxation," says Casper. "If you are going to get an ulcer over it, it's time to take up something else." Tennis anyone?



Two angles on the Cleopatra cut by Mira (centre).

A CUT ABOVE PARIS

By ZE'EV SCHUL, Jerusalem Post Reporter

FREDERIQUE le Grand is the reigning Czar in the coiffure business of Paris — and that, as any Parisian will be quick to tell you, means le monde entier. But Mira is the Empress Supreme as acknowledged by Frederique himself. Mira of Ramat Aviv.

"Horreur! I dare not touch this divine creation lest I spoil the cut," Thus Frederique said of a "Cleopatra a la Mira" — a sort of straight down at the side with a little less so over the eyes — very fluffy, soft and beguiling.

almost natural that she should eventually find herself in Paris, the Mecca of the business, apprenticed to no less than the former hair czar Alexander ("a kind and charming man who helped me on my way") and studying French at the Sorbonne all at the same time.

differences in prices charged by myself and, say, some famed hairdresser in Paris," Mira points out. They come from abroad to sit on one of Mira's four chairs. Or perhaps to have their heads washed by a Russian immigrant operating behind a simple wooden screen, painted by husband Micha Furman.

training course. Then they think they know it all and there's nothing you can tell them. No — I wouldn't like to teach, I don't even want to work in Paris."

Mira says this in the face of a carte blanche invitation from the Superlative Frederique to come and work with him — whenever and for whatever period she would like to stay.

IT WAS IN Paris that she was introduced to Rahel Limon, wife of the former OC Navy and at that time attache in Paris. Mrs. Limon years later was to bring her daughter Nili, a startling beauty and the future Baroness Rothschild to Mira for hairdressing.

It's still possible to have Mira attend you during the morning hours, but her afternoons are booked solid, six days a week. That is, unless you happen to come from Paris. And they do come, almost every day now, quite unannounced. Then they go back and tell their envious friends that they've been to Mira's.

AS TO THE future? Mira knows she's sitting on a goldmine. But she is not so quick to exploit it.

"Yes — of course I'd like to own a larger place, better equipped. But I love my work and there's a splendid relationship with my clients. I like them very much and I think they like me."

"I might go for a short period — just a refresher — say sometime next year," Mira says.

Meanwhile she will keep on working in her austere Ramat Aviv shop. Its only concession to luxury is air conditioning and the things you don't see:

The wearer of the coiffure was a countess who had just come back from Israel where she had had her hair "done" by Mira. Her regular Paris coiffeur is, naturally, Frederique.

Frederique's message was brought back by the flurried countess, one of an ever increasing number of top Paris society women who brave four-hour flights here and another four hours back with the sole purpose of acquiring the Mira touch.

"The Cleopatra," Mira says, "takes a special kind of skill. It is my speciality. Note it is not the fringe curtain thing worn by Liz Taylor in the film."

We watched it being created on Zippi's head. Zippi is a nurse who wouldn't go anywhere else to have her hair done.

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"As for setting up a training school — girls here get a three months'

"When I buy shampoo I buy only the best — like the stuff you saw me purchase this morning. It costs six times what normal shampoo used by hairdressers would have cost me. But that's the way it has to be for me," Mira says.

Has Frederique's praise gone to her head? Not a bit. It's gratifying to know that one is appreciated. But her clients have already told her that. They keep on coming, from the bicycling housewives to the Rolls Royce owners. As they say, once Mira, toujours Mira.

Well, she'd always had a thing about hairdressing. Even as a girl she liked to arrange hair. It seemed

The price is IL100 per setting. "Actually it covers a one-way fare to France, if you calculate the

Solomon's treaty with ancient Egypt

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH, Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israeli officials searching the archives for previous Egyptian-Israeli peace agreements in the wake of the Camp David accords have found one — the pact between King Solomon and an Egyptian Pharaoh 3,000 years ago.

Prof. Yigael Yadin, speaking as deputy prime minister and one of Israel's foremost archaeologists cited the biblical pact last week during a talk at the conference held by the Israel Exploration Society.

First Kings recounts how Solomon became allied to Pharaoh, king of Egypt, by marrying his daughter and bringing her to Jerusalem, where Solomon built her an ornate palace. "I can report to you," said Yadin, "that there is no secret provision in the Camp David talks which calls for any parallel action by the Prime Minister (Menachem Begin)."

the conference by Prof. Avraham Malamat, a historian at the Hebrew University. A study of Egyptian records, said Malamat, showed that never before and never again did an Egyptian Pharaoh marry off a daughter to a foreign potentate to seal a political alliance. The apparent reason for this unique gesture to Solomon, he said, was that the nation forged by Solomon and his father, David, created for the first time a powerful force on Egypt's immediate eastern border, while Egypt itself, a superpower of the ancient world, was experiencing a temporary decline.

he had to come to an agreement. As part of this, he had to make territorial concessions and gave Gezer to Solomon.

The scholarly audience reacted with laughter.

The ancient pact was also cited at

biblical passage describing how Pharaoh captured the Canaanite stronghold of Gezer on the road leading to Jerusalem and presented it "for a portion unto his daughter, Solomon's wife." Such generosity, says the historian, rings totally false in the context of international relations in the ancient Middle East.

Pharaoh made his lengthy foray across the Sinai not to capture Gezer in order to hand it over to Solomon, said Malamat, but to march on Jerusalem itself. The time was just after Solomon's accession to the throne and the Pharaoh was attempting to win back for Egyptian control the land of the Philistines — which includes the Gaza Strip of today — which had been captured by David. "But he found an opponent of such strength," said Malamat, "that

To the Israeli settlers in the Yamit region of northeast Sinai who are ruefully facing the prospect of having to evacuate their homes to Egyptian sovereignty within two years of the signing of a peace treaty, Egypt's President Anwar Sadat seems more Solomon than Solomon's heirs in Jerusalem. Sadat persuaded Israel to make the territorial concessions this time by offering peace instead of war.

Yadin suggested that the conference of the Israel Exploration Society next year be held around the theme of peace and war between Israel and Egypt through the ages. "There is no more interesting subject," he said. He suggested three sessions — one in Jerusalem, one in Sinai and one in Cairo.

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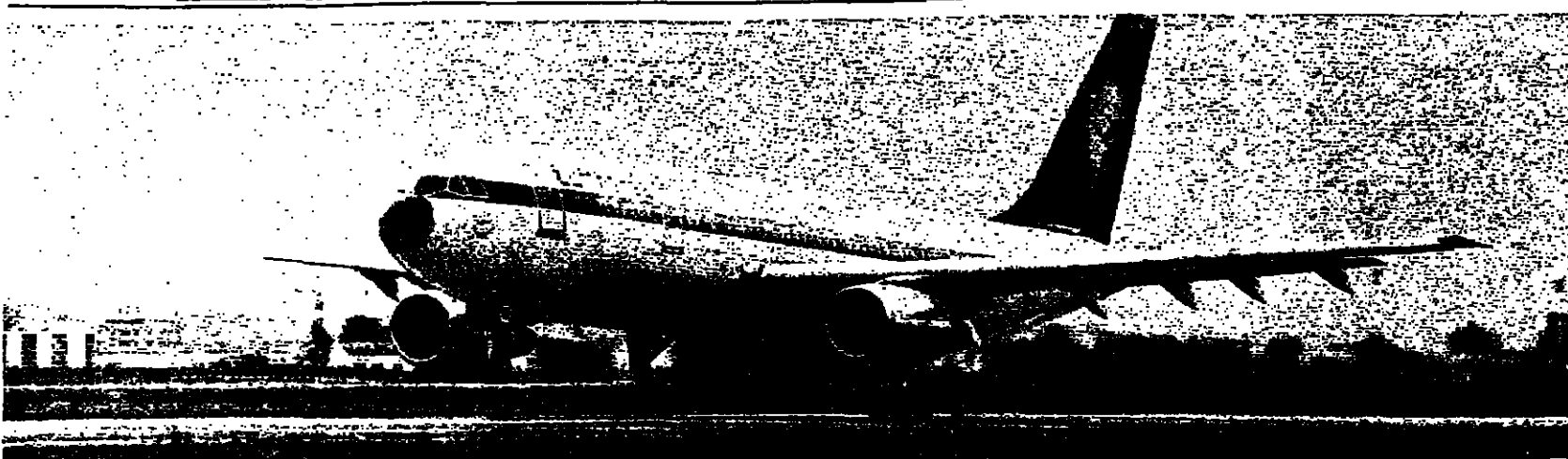
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The A300's take-off and landing performances have been remarkable by all standards, due largely to a high thrust-to-weight ratio and the highlift system of tabbed flaps and leading edge slats which extend, unbroken by engine pylons, from wing root to tip.

The A300 high thrust comes from two of the latest General Electric CF6-50C high by-pass ratio turbofans or Pratt and Whitney JT9D engines, both of which power the DC-10 and Boeing 747 aircraft. Compared with their predecessors, they are much quieter, create less pollution, emit no smoke and, above all, consume less fuel — some 25 per cent less than the previous generation.

It was an alliance between these engines with the low aerodynamic drag that provides the A300 with a remarkable fuel economy. On one 1840-mile (3,000-km) route, for example, the A300, with 263 seats, uses 7,500 US gallons of fuel. Over the same distance, a Boeing 707 needs 9,000 gallons to carry 140 passengers — 124 per cent more fuel per seat. On flights such as those between Paris and London, the A300 shows a 30 per cent saving in fuel per seat place over the narrow-bodied trijet in use.

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The A300 can carry up to 30 tons of cargo in underfloor holds without any disturbance to the passenger cabin. The aircraft is equipped with a fully automatic cargo loading system which ensures passengers are not delayed by cargo or baggage turnarounds.

The aircraft has demonstrated exceptional handling ability, especially on short stopovers that involve unloading and loading, refueling, refueling and maintenance. All servicing is on the right-hand side, leaving three doors clear for passengers.

As frequent take-offs and landings make the short-to-medium-haul routes the most demanding on an aircraft structure, the A300 was subjected to a rigorous fatigue test programme — equivalent to 40 years' airline service — that it passed with flying colours.

The A300 flight deck is designed around a three-man crew equipped with the most sophisticated flight computers, including an entirely automatic landing system that ensures all-weather safety. Other computers provide flight path management information and, in conjunction with the auto-throttle, are used to avoid automatic stall and protect against large, abrupt wind velocity changes. One advanced engine thrust computer tells the crew exactly what power to use in all conditions, saving engine life and keep-

ing down costs.

SPONSORS OF the A300, Airbus Industrie, was established by five participating European nations "to manage the development, production, marketing and after-sales services of the A300." Participating nations are France, Germany, Spain, Britain and Holland, and the consortium's headquarters are at Blagnac Airport, near Toulouse.

Airbus Industrie is a "Groupeement d'Interet Economique" (pooling of common economic interest), a programme which is backed by French, German and Spanish government guarantees.

The A300s are assembled at Toulouse from fully equipped major sub-assemblies flown in by Airbus Industrie's super Guppy freighters — thus ensuring that no major item is missing from the production line for more than 48 hours.

Airbus Industrie at present holds 162 commitments (113 firm sales and 49 options) for the A300 from 18 major airlines. The company has additional letters of intent from several other airlines, including El Al. Fifty-five A300s are now operated by 13 airlines.

Airbus Industrie has also received over 60 commitments from major airlines, such as Lufthansa, Swissair, Air France, Iberia and Eastern for the new 200-seater A310 project which was launched this summer. In two years, orders and options for Airbus Industrie aircraft have trebled.

The recent decision to launch the A310 marks a first step in the creation of a full family of aircraft, which will include a stretched 300 to 350-seater wide-bodied twin, a four-engine, long-range 210-seater and a 120 to 180-seater narrow-bodied twin jet.

Small wonder that the giant American aircraft manufacturers view the burgeoning Airbus Industrie with concern. This is the most serious, if not the first, major challenge to them — for the A300 in itself is a massive complex of challenges.

OPINION

ELOQUENT SILENCE

SHMUEL KATZ sees in the firmation of Arab myths concerning the 'Palestinian people' Camp David agreements an affirming the 'Palestinian people'.

THE OCCUPATION in 1948 of the Gaza area by the Egyptians, and of Samaria and Judea, including the eastern part of Jerusalem, by the Transjordanians, represented quite considerable gains in their unsuccessful attempt to prevent the birth of the Jewish State.

Nineteen years later, in May 1967, the world watched with bated breath for three weeks while the leaders of the Arab states, with the enthusiastic approbation of their media and of exultant crowds in the streets of their cities, proclaimed the ordained doom of an encircled Israel under the hammer blows of tremendously superior Arab forces. There was no doubt, and there was no concealment of the Arab purpose. Nor throughout the years was there any sign in Arab literature, or in the Arab media, or in the statements of Arab leaders at national or international forums, of any desire to euphemize the fact that what disturbed them about the Jewish state was not the question of its borders but of its very existence. Moslem religious exhortation pursued and emphasized the theme of the impossibility of countenancing Jewish national independence in the heart of the Arab-Moslem world.

The cause of the "dispute" was this refusal, and the concomitant efforts of the Arabs to eliminate Israel. The claim that the "Palestinians" are the "heart of the problem" is a hoax. What the Arabs call the "Palestinian problem" they created with their own hands during and after their aggression against the Jewish state. In their desire in 1948 to ensure the speediest execution of the elimination of Israel, the leaders of the Arab states called on the Arabs of Palestine to leave their homes in order to facilitate the work of the invading armies. They were assured that they would be able to return to their homes within a few weeks.

Israel, however, was not destroyed. The refugees were now denied rehabilitation by their Arab hosts. Rehabilitation would have nullified the calculated policy on which the Arab states embarked. They stopped bickering among themselves as to who was responsible for the problem, and launched a violent campaign of propaganda against the Zionist aggression which had "driven the refugees from their homes"; and at every international forum demanded that they be restored to those homes.

After the second attempt to annihilate Israel failed in 1967, this policy was replaced. Arab propaganda dropped the theme of refugees driven from their homes and henceforth they became the Palestinian people robbed of their homeland. Thus also the theme, unpleasant to Western ears, of 20 Arab States combining to drive the small Israeli people into the sea, was replaced by the depiction of Israel as a predatory puppet of imperialism which had driven a people from its lands.

UNTIL comparatively recently nobody had heard of a separate Palestinian people. Before Israel was established as a state, the only people identified as Palestinians were the Jews, just as everybody knew that Palestine was the homeland of the Jewish people. The hundred or so organizations throughout the world which bore the name Palestine or Palestinian were all Jewish or Zionist. Books, journals, and songs whose subject was Palestine related to Zionism, and especially to the theme of aliyah to Eretz Yisrael.

So clearly Jewish was the term that many Arabs resented being called Palestinian; they referred to themselves as southern Syrians. With the establishment of Israel the Arabs gradually and deftly took over the term Palestinian, and built a mythology round it. Within a few years, through their efforts backed by gigantic financing, and no less through the inertness and woolly-headedness of Israeli information services, they succeeded in fabricating the image of a people with a national history (which is fictional) and a national culture (which is rooted in the mythology of this generation).

In this way the Arabs put up a heavy smokescreen in the political arena, blurring the eliminatory purpose of their war against Israel, with the theme that the settlement of the "dispute" required a solution of the "Palestinian problem" and the restoration of "the legitimate rights of the Palestinians."

This implies, and is intended to imply, the negation of Zionism and the

erasure of the relationship of the Jewish people with its homeland. (When Transjordan, later renamed Jordan, occupied the Old City of Jerusalem, it carried out a policy of destruction, as far as possible, of the visible evidence of the Jewish presence; and it erased the geographical terms for Judea and Samaria, replacing them with the political nomenclature of "West Bank.")

The Camp David "framework agreements" which, we have been assured by the Prime Minister who signed them, were drawn up with the utmost care, with punctilious attention to every word and thorough examination of every letter, and were both by implication and by their contents the Arab version of the dispute and the essence of the formula demanded by the Arabs for its solution.

HISTORIC documents, designed by definition to "put an end to this prolonged, raucous and bloody dispute, will be read — with no less care than was devoted to their composition — as documents also reflecting the political and historical philosophies and viewpoints of the parties. Over and beyond their immediate practical implications and impact, they will be studied for their ultimate historical and moral significance.

Not one word in the documents suggests, or hints at, the fact that the dispute, the wars that were launched against Israel, arose from the Arab refusal to agree to the existence of a Jewish state; or that there is any connection between the Jewish people and Palestine. They ignore by their eloquent silence the Zionist and Israeli truth of our generation. The texts rock the Arab mythology and its terminology.

The Camp David agreement on the "West Bank" and Gaza accepts implicitly and develops the Arab thesis and premises. The very first sentence of the operative portion sets the tone of the document. It establishes the purpose of the agreement:

"Egypt, Israel, Jordan and the representatives of the Palestinian people should participate in negotiations on the resolution of the Palestinian problem in all its aspects."

The rest of the document is devoted to provisions "to achieve that objective." Even the reference to the only other subject dealt with — the assurance of "the security of Israel and its neighbours" — is accompanied by the news that to assist in providing such security, a strong local police force consisting of inhabitants of the West Bank and Gaza will be established by the self-governing Arab authority.

Thus you have the provision for the "transitional period" of five years: the Israeli authority will be withdrawn and will be replaced by

the self-governing authority of the inhabitants in order to ensure "full autonomy." The arrangements for this "transitional period" of five years are designed to ensure "peaceful and orderly transfer of authority"; and then, during the five years, the negotiations must be opened on the final status (that the disposition of sovereignty of "West Bank" and Gaza. Thus, the crux of the document is reached.

The solution from the negotiations must also recognize legitimate rights of the Palestinian people and their just requirements. Then comes the final link in the chain. The agreement reached in negotiations will be submitted to the vote by the elected representatives of the inhabitants of the West Bank and Gaza.

The Israeli government thereby not only recognizes that there is a separate Palestinian people, but also admits that the dispute must be settled by their own people (and that the dispute arose, presumably because of a problem), that these Palestinians have "legitimate rights" in Judaea, Samaria and Gaza as well as "justified demands" there — agrees also that in determining the final status of these parts of the Yisrael, the Palestinian Arabs have the final say.

WHATSOEVER the practical outcome of the Camp David accord, thus, is a historic endorsement of distortion of history which the Arabs have used as ideological justification in their struggle against Israel, the Jewish people. And the implications are far-reaching.

"If we agree," it was once said about that distortion, "that the word of Hebron is to be called a Palestinian, what shall we call the Arab? Acra, or of the Old City, Jerusalem? By this kind of talk, we cut off the branch on which we sit. Using the term Palestine is a kind of surrender to the propaganda. If you use the term Palestine to describe an Arab, you have to agree that this country belongs to the Arabs and not to the Jews."

This was said by Mr. Menahem Begin three years ago (in an Israeli radio interview). By how much has the dire dangers foreseen by him been multiplied in the document signed by Prime Minister Begin, which not only this or the other individual Arab is called Palestinian, but the whole Arab community is wrapped up and given the status as the "Palestinian people" and their national connection is Palestine has been recognized? If the people are the Palestinian people, what is their country?

The Camp David agreement contains a dire threat to the foundation of Zionism.

The author was formerly the Prime Minister's adviser on overseas relations, and a leader, with Mr. Ben-Zion, of the "Herut Loyalist Circle."

Feast for the eyes

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regular reading of the Pentateuch, the first chapter of which is an account of the Creation. We are told there that flora was created on the third day. "And God said, let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed and the fruit tree yielding seed after its kind, whose

seed is in itself, upon the earth, and it was so" (Genesis 1:11).

The flora thus created consisted therefore both of "grass and herb," including plants of every kind, and trees. Strangely enough the trees referred to in this narrative of Creation are specifically limited to fruit trees. There is no mention of non fruit-bearing trees.

Nachmanides draws attention to this omission, commenting, "I am surprised that Scripture makes no reference to non fruit-bearing trees," and he quotes the Midrash (Genesis Rabba 5.9) to the effect that "even the (present) non fruit bearing trees bore fruit." They

seeded in it, upon the earth, and it was so" (Genesis 1:11).

There is no need, however, for this homiletical ingenuity. For this is a typical example of what the rabbis state, that "the words of the Torah are poor in one place and rich in another," i.e., that what is lacking in one passage is complemented in another.

In the account of the Garden of Eden, we are told that the Lord God planted in it "every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food." For it from the fruit trees, in the words of the rabbis, "the palate derives benefit" the non fruit-bearing trees are "a feast to the eyes."

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Can Israel afford low wages?

By MEIR MERHAV

ISRAEL'S industry is less active than that of most of the other countries with which it competes. After all, it is only about 20 years that we have virtually stopped classing ourselves as a developing country.

The causes of our lower efficiency are also generally stated so as to make their restatement sound plausible: small scale of investment, lack of capital, lack of know-how, experience, inadequate infrastructure, great distance from the sources of raw materials and export markets, and a host of others. These inhibiting factors were cited as given for the foreseeable future — particularly since the industry with which ours have to compete are not standing still. In fact, we are right into the late 1970s, we added our low productivity and lack of competitiveness to a protective duties and other policies. We still do so, although to a lesser extent. Similarly, we boosted exports through subsidies.

Our main answer to lack of competitive power was that we must do with lower wages. As an argument, and for the sake of peace, we sometimes spoke of having to accept lower incomes and a standard of living all round.

COMPARATIVE study just published in Israel, and in the United States, by Victor Buch of the Centre for International Planning in the Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Tourism, shows some statistical light on the matter. It compares Israel to other countries, and raises some questions with respect to the issue of our low performance.

The study shows that Israel's industrial output per worker (in terms of added value) is not only significantly lower than in the main countries against which we compete, but also that wage costs are, with the exception of Japan in 1973, a smaller fraction of the added value produced. The worker, in other words, not only gets a wage (including social benefits) that is lower in proportion to our industry's productivity, but significantly less than that.

Table 1 assembles some of the data divided in Buch's study. The final data on gross output and value added per worker were calculated in U.S. dollars, using the effective exchange rate for Israel in 1975/76, and official exchange rates for the other countries for the conversion of national currency data.

The table shows that value added per worker in Israel's industry was less than half that of West Germany, Sweden and the U.S., and about 30 per cent that of Austria. Nevertheless, Austria paid out 32 per cent more in wage costs than Israel. The last column in the table illustrates this in another way. In most of the countries, industry makes about the same gross profit (including depreciation) after wage costs as Israel's industry does — although they produce considerably more.

Thus, in the U.K., Denmark, Norway, Austria and the Netherlands, gross profits are between \$43 and \$53 per worker out of the added value produced to \$100 produced in Israel, where gross profits take \$51.5 out of each \$100 of added value produced. Gross profit per worker, after wage costs, is outstandingly higher only in the U.S., Sweden, Japan and, to a lesser extent, in Finland.

THE STUDY offers some fairly well-known explanations for the low productivity of Israel's industry. The most important of these is that the capital stock per worker in Israel is lower than in other countries. For each \$100 of fixed capital per worker in Israel, Germany has \$265, the U.K. \$177, and the U.S. \$261.

The study also lists some offsetting factors, such as the lesser "need" for sophisticated equipment in the smaller Israeli enterprises, as well as contributing causes of low efficiency, such as a lower level of management and organization, lack of tradition, deficient work discipline and the like.

The first question that springs to mind in this connection is why Israel's industry should be undercapitalized by comparison with other countries, given the much deplored subsidy of capital through investment grants and, especially in the last few years of high inflation, through unlinked loans?

One would expect that when 30 per cent of investments are a grant and another 40 per cent and more are given as unlinked loans — which inflation wipes out within a few years — industry should be overcapitalized rather than the opposite.

Moreover, a young industry, with access to the latest technologies, should be able to offset at least part of its deficiencies in know-how, scale of production and lack of infrastructure and ancillary capital goods by the greater productivity of more modern equipment.

A tentative explanation — which justifies serious research — may be that our economic regime has paradoxically produced both under-

capitalization and over-capitalization.

The universal access to cheap capital may constantly induce firms to invest in excess capacity, which, because of changing market conditions, the "lumpiness" of investment in a small economy, and the constraints on expansion imposed by a typically oligopolistic market structure, becomes obsolescent long before it has reached full utilization.

What seems to happen is that the capital equipment available (which naturally comes from more industrialized, much bigger economies) is geared to scales of production considerably greater than those facilitated by the market shares available within the period of obsolescence. Investment is lumpy, and capacity is therefore installed much ahead of planned output.

When access to cheap finance is universal, new firms or new investments by established firms constantly encroach on the market shares of those who preceded them, thus preventing each from a fuller use of the installed equipment.

The lumpiness of investment may also cause firms to try to save on ancillary equipment, such as materials and product handling equipment, and even more so on such "luxuries" as air conditioning and other facilities that merely make life more convenient and less tiresome for the worker. The necessary result is lower productivity.

WE MAY, in fact, simply have too many (and therefore too small) enterprises in each line of production, with the result that while each firm uses its capital goods only partly and is, in this sense, "over-capitalized," the excessive atomization also prevents firms from capitalizing their stock of capital goods to the point where they might become an efficient integrated system.

In this sense, then, they remain inadequately equipped. It is interesting to note that, as Victor Buch's study points out, the differences in productivity between Israel and the other countries are least in those branches where these factors are weakest, such as the group of metalworking, electric and electronic equipment and transport (aircraft) industries.

question may be left for the next generation.

When it became clear to him that on these terms Israel would not comply, he simply reversed the equation as follows:

Israel wants peace — that is her obsession.

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There is nothing cynical about the above analysis. On a historical reckoning, the number of peace treaties that have been broken is greater than those that have been honored. But Jews have always had a blind faith in the written word. When applied to the Torah this is our virtue: when applied to the promises of clever statesmen and dictators it can become a dangerous weakness.

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NEW days ago we heard on the 11 news of the ceremonial opening of the peace talks in Washington between Egypt and Israel. After the announcement, and to mark the occasion, we had a recording of a song Naomi Shemer which goes like this: "The pangs of the Messiah, they are...today he comes..."

perhaps actually intended for occasion but suited to the present morose mood of a sizable portion of the population.

Ironically, I am reminded of the shema of June 1967 when Naomi Shemer's "City of that year (Jerusalem the Golden)" was felt to be the fitting accompaniment. I do think that too many of the present mystics would come the comparison.

The current mystics are the peace-mystics. This is used as a term of abuse about Gush Emunim and their ilk. It is also used loosely and without regard to its real meaning. Gush Emunim are activists; they are not engaged in contemplation, in prayer, or in the search for the messiah.

I use it loosely now. I am merely suggesting that those who see in Mr. Sadat the incarnation of the messiah are out of touch with reality. They are blinding themselves, for instance, to the fact that Sadat only five years ago masterminded the war that destroyed Israel.

Absolutely true, as well we knew at the time. But a fact disagreeable to the peace-mystics of today.

NO DEAL with such unwelcome truths, history is being rewritten. I wish had a word for this: *rewriting*. Thus Mattityahu Peled in recent article in *The Jerusalem Post* has this remarkable sentence: "The October War of 1973 marked the transition from hostile imperialism to the dynamics of the peace-making process."

What on earth is that supposed to mean? It seems that even on Yom Kippur 1973 Sadat was the angel of peace. He kept his wings tucked away at the time, but for those clever enough to hear them, the footbeats of the messiah could already be detected behind the tanks and guns. Those were the first birthpangs.

Of course five years is a long time and many people have forgotten the genocidal intent of that onslaught. But the trouble is that the peace-mystics also close their ears to sounds closer at hand — to the war-orchestra going on at this very moment — the threats of the Revisionist Front and the actual sounds of war from Lebanon.

The fires in Lebanon, the smoke from which is being carried over our villages in the north on this very day when the talks are beginning in Washington, were kindled by those same Palestinian "freedom fighters" who have vowed our destruction. With the backing of Syria they are now stronger than ever before. Is this, too, part of what Dr. Peled calls "the dynamics of the peace-process"?

I have not read Dr. Peled's comments on this aspect of the messianic scheme of things, but Uri Avnery in a television interview the other day assured us that the Christians supported by Israel were the real trouble-makers in Lebanon. I had the impression from his words that the Palestinians were the people with whom we ought to be sympathizing. But above all we ought to keep out of it and concentrate instead on the sweet sounds of peace, the lullaby orchestrated from Washington by Mr. Carter and his advisers.

As a student of literature I am moderately haunted by analogies. An analogy that bothers me a lot these days is that of South Vietnam. I cannot somehow forget how the Americans brought "peace" to South Vietnam. They did it all for the good of South Vietnam; except that there is no South Vietnam left any more.

Now the Americans tell us that it is for our own good that we must return to the pre-1967 borders. A few months before Camp David the American Secretary of Defense said you had to do Israel this good-turn

even against her will. But a better way has been found. We are to be cut down to size and we are to be made to enjoy it. This is not to be rape but a marriage — with full ceremony, songs, embraces, banquets and congratulations from all sides.

IT IS ALL really a matter of language. Carter and friends, and of course Sadat, have found the way to Israel's heart. It is by means of the language of peace. "Peace" is the magic word for which air-fields, oil-wells and territories are to be surrendered. It is hard to think of any other nation — even one defeated in war — which has been ready to give up such tangible possessions for the sake of a peace-treaty, however solemn.

But then we are a very special people as I would be the first to maintain — a people to whom words matter, to whom messianic images matter. "Here he comes," says Naomi Shemer's little song.

We see in Sadat's visit to Jerusalem a sign that the wolf is about to lie down with the lamb. In our dreams we are already drawing water from the Nile.

The hard facts, however, do not always conform. Sadat's victory is a victory of language and of remarkable staging. He chose the Knesset as the stage for the greatest show on earth. He chose the word that goes straight to our hearts, the word "peace." He played upon Israel's central myth — that the days of the messiah are drawing near ("today he comes").

Carter then provided the biblical counterpoint, the appropriate verses about two years after Munich, but the peace only lasted for six months. I think we shall do better with Mr. Sadat. He does not intend to make war on us himself. For the time being at least he wants Egypt out of the war. But to do him justice, one should acknowledge that Sadat has a very clear, even mathematical mind. Approximately a year ago, his stated thesis was as follows:

Israel wants peace — that is her particular obsession. I want territory — all of it — that is my particular obsession. I cannot give full peace, but "this

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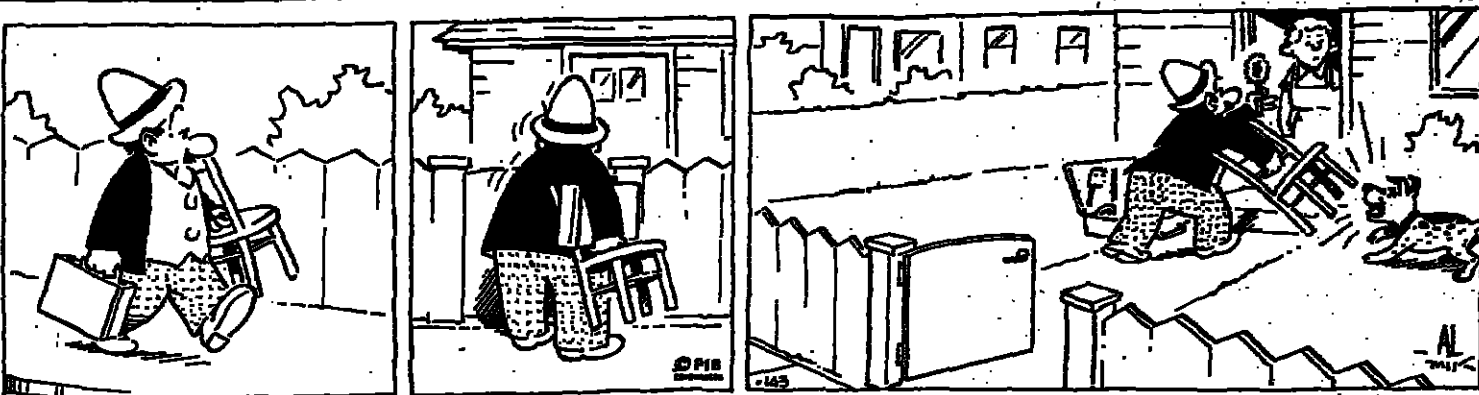
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23 Climb in the money and
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24 Which is more comfortable,
having taken home the fish
(8)

31 Shows an ability to take
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* Herziya, Herziya Hasela, 54 room cottages. Anglo-Saxon. 88723-5.

* Herziya, Good area, 7 family cottages, special plans, from 1-550,000, loans and mortgages to 300,000. Star 28 Ahad Haam, Herziya. 881088, 09.30-12.00, 16.30-19.00.

* Herziya Hasela, luxury cottages, 6 rooms + 250sq.m. finished basement. Especially high standard, from 2,500,000. Loans and mortgages to 300,000. Star 28 Ahad Haam, Herziya. 881088, 09.30-12.00, 16.30-19.00.

* 2 in 1 family + extras, Shikun Daron, Ashkelon. 051-25723.

* Sale villa, 6 + 1 rooms, 8 levels, perfect finish, garden, decorative pool, well lit, tiled roof, individual control heating, shelter, number of service rooms + bathrooms, large kitchen, wall cupboards etc. 400 sq.m. at Rehovot, Golomb, Herziya. Daytime phone: 05-295241.

* Kfar Saba, Penthouse under construction, 6 rooms, 250sq.m., luxurious, mortgage possible. United Flat. 052-20523.

* Raanana, Luxury cottage, under construction, lovely area, 6 rooms, mortgage possible. United Flat. 052-20523.

* Herziya Pituh, Luxury cottages, 220,000, 092423, 938125.

* Herziya, Kfar Shmaryahu, finished partially, cottage, 3 bedrooms, long period. 05-837386.

* Rent, Kfar, 4 furnished rooms + garden. 72918, 72633.

* Sale, villa in 2-family, separate entrance, ground floor on dune + view, 3 minutes from Kinneret. 067-36790.

* Kfar Saba, sale continues, 2-family cottage, 6 rooms, 350,000, 400,000, 410,000, 420,000, 430,000, 440,000, 450,000, 460,000, 470,000, 480,000, 490,000, 500,000, 510,000, 520,000, 530,000, 540,000, 550,000, 560,000, 570,000, 580,000, 590,000, 600,000, 610,000, 620,000, 630,000, 640,000, 650,000, 660,000, 670,000, 680,000, 690,000, 700,000, 710,000, 720,000, 730,000, 740,000, 750,000, 760,000, 770,000, 780,000, 790,000, 800,000, 810,000, 820,000, 830,000, 840,000, 850,000, 860,000, 870,000, 880,000, 890,000, 900,000, 910,000, 920,000, 930,000, 940,000, 950,000, 960,000, 970,000, 980,000, 990,000, 1,000,000, 1,010,000, 1,020,000, 1,030,000, 1,040,000, 1,050,000, 1,060,000, 1,070,000, 1,080,000, 1,090,000, 1,100,000, 1,110,000, 1,120,000, 1,130,000, 1,140,000, 1,150,000, 1,160,000, 1,170,000, 1,180,000, 1,190,000, 1,200,000, 1,210,000, 1,220,000, 1,230,000, 1,240,000, 1,250,000, 1,260,000, 1,270,000, 1,280,000, 1,290,000, 1,300,000, 1,310,000, 1,320,000, 1,330,000, 1,340,000, 1,350,000, 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Sympathetic Swiss

TELEREVIEW
Philip Gillon

IT IS NOT often that we see a British documentary about Israel that is wholeheartedly committed to the cause of this country. We have become accustomed to the BBC and the British press, with the noble exception of "The Yorkshire Post," seeing all too clearly the other side's point of view. Occasionally, however, even the heirs of Bevin see the light, and come out with a sympathetic interpretation of an event in our stormy history.

Such a show was "Mirage," the docu-drama about Alfred Fraenknecht, the Swiss engineer who stole the Mirage plans for us and made possible the creation of the Kfir. Perhaps the reason for producing a film that for sheer objectivity might have been made by Israel Television was not that the British liked us so much, as that they enjoyed cooking a snook at the proud Swiss.

Fraenknecht, superbly acted by Ian Holm, emerged from the film as a solid Swiss engineer with a brilliant mind and a conscience troubled by what had been done to the Jews during the Holocaust. A recent book emphasizes that Fraenknecht was actuated entirely by that uneasy conscience of his; the \$200,000 for which he asked as in-

surance for risking his job was a feeble, compared to the \$3m. or \$10m. that the Israelis would gladly have paid for the plans. This aspect of the deal — that money was a secondary consideration to Fraenknecht — was rather played down in the film. This is the only criticism I have of it.

No fictional spy story could surpass the plot of "Mirage"; Fraenknecht's scheme to steal the plans was brilliant in its simplicity. As Holm acted the part, the secret agent kept his cool throughout the long operation, when week after week he and his cousin pilfered documents that had been microfilm-ed and were slated for destruction. It was dramatic irony that they were caught while loading the very last shipment; judging from the performance of the Kfir, this batch was not essential.

The feat of sending vanloads of documents from Switzerland to Israel every week must surely be unsurpassed in spying history. True, Russian spies did manage to steal the plans of the bomb from the U.S., but they did not make punctual weekly deliveries, as regularly as a Swiss clock registering the passing minutes. The also of the haul, also, must have been unprecedented.

although of course there was the theft of the Cherbourg gunboats, but that was not really a spying operation. The smuggling of the uranium is a possible competitor in terms of magnitude — but that was a one-time show.

One way and another, the Mossad has pulled off some very neat tricks, worthy of the wildest imagination. JORDAN TELEVISION is showing "Disraeli," which is very broad-minded of it. I am surprised to see a British film bending over backwards to do justice to Israel. I must admit that I am even more surprised that Jordan has had the tolerance and vision to feature a film so devoted to presenting the Jewish case. True, all we Semites are half-brothers, but I did not know that they realized this so clearly on the other side of the Jordan.

The serial starts here this weekend. It will certainly captivate Israeli audiences, both because of its outspoken pro-Jewishness and because most of the action takes

place in the stately homes of England. Dukes, earls and baronets abound; they are as plentiful as the sands on the seashore, underneath the tar. There is Queen Victoria, portrayed with love and sympathy for a change (the modern vulgare of a morose haridan and a pompous ass), and her husband Prince Albert.

This week I had to miss most of "Disraeli." I am afraid, so as to see for a second time "Dear Love," a brilliant dramatization of the love affair and marriage of Robert Browning and Elizabeth Barrett.

Long, long ago there was a very good film about this relationship, called "The Barretts of Wimpole Street," in which the actors were, if my memory serves me right, Frederic March, Norma Shearer and Charles Laughton.

Readers with better memories

may correct me as to the names of the stars, but I certainly have never forgotten the impact of the film, which made a whole generation of us determined to disobey Papa when it came to choosing a mate.

But the modern television film was far more realistic than that old classic; from hindsight, I realized that there had been something vaguely unconvincing, perhaps because Mr. Barrett was too much of a monster, and Elizabeth too good-looking for the part.

Geraldine McEwan was not made up as a glamorous beauty, and her relationship with her father emerged as a very complex one, or rather, a bundle of complexes, not just straight Electra. Keith Michell, although he spoke so well, seemed to me to lack the blun of his predecessor.

An incidental delight from this drama was the reading of so much of the Brownings' poetry, particularly hers. Elizabeth's sonnets must be among the finest and most exquisite declarations of love in any language.

IT WAS A WEEK full of good things. Another high quality film was "There Is a Happy Land," based on Keith Waterhouse's book, although I must confess that I found my knowledge of broad Lancashire completely inadequate to follow the children's conversation. But this happens to me with most children's chatter on TV; their voices are too high for me to grasp what they're saying. Generally, I don't look much, children's talk on television being essentially of interest only to other children.

What did emerge was that being a child is a very painful experience, not the bliss it is widely supposed to be, and most of us can consider ourselves lucky that we have put that period behind us.

The Silver Jubilee Royal Variety Gala was a year late in reaching Israel, although Jordan, that monarchical country, telecast it in the correct season.

Something must have been cut since we saw the show on Jordan; I am sure that Bob Hope, the emcee, made joke after joke. Here he gave only cut introductions to the performers.

If something had to be cut to fit it into the time slot, Shirley Maizel

should have been savaged ruthlessly. Poor Shirley, once so funny, is now just embarrassing. The Muppets, of course, were their usual wonderful selves. I pulled off a real scoop in "Behind the Headlines," when I had muckraking journalist Yigal Laviv face to face with building contractor Moshe Levi. The point in dispute was whether the building of the airfields and defence lines in the Negev, to be set up for the period after we pull out of Sinai, should be entrusted to American contractors or to local builders — specifically, to those who built the ill-fated Bar-Lev Line on the Suez Canal.

Laviv, armed with a formidable battery of comments by the State Comptroller and an Israeli judge, claimed that it would be inviting disaster to let Israelis come anywhere near the equipment or the building materials. Levi argued that to bring American contractors would be like importing citrus.

After hearing both sides, all I can say is that some Israeli oranges are more bitter than overseas varieties, and that, if the work is entrusted to the Israelis, I hope that the Egyptians will keep the peace. But, of course, I hope this will happen anyway.

Canada's 'slugger' is in trouble

By Raymond Beard/Observer Foreign News Service

THE TRUDEAUMANIA of 10 years ago has become Trudeauphobia — at least in English Canada. In the wake of the Liberal debacle at the polls this month, the real question facing Canada is whether Pierre Trudeau is resented mainly because of his policies or because he is a French Canadian.

With the poor showing of the Liberals in the New Brunswick provincial election last week, as in the 18 federal by-elections and the Saskatchewan provincial poll, the calls for Trudeau's head could become irresistible. A widely used agency photograph from New Brunswick shows him being hanged in effigy.

Nor was there any comfort for the Prime Minister last week when, in typically bashful mood and with his estranged wife absent, he celebrated his 55th birthday. In the by-elections for the House of Commons, the Trudeau forces were routed everywhere except in his native Quebec, where they won two seats.

The result of the provincial balloting in Saskatchewan was even more disastrous for the Liberals: they were wiped out while the mildly socialist New Democrats were re-elected with a bigger majority. The upshot is that in the four provinces west of Ontario, Trudeau's party has two provincial seats.

THE AGONY of the Liberals can be put another way. Of the 10 provincial legislatures, they now control only three: Prince Edward Island, having lost Nova Scotia to the conservatives in the summer. Trudeau need not call a general election until, at the very latest, next October. But the message of the voters in the past few weeks is that if he were to go to the country now, the Canadian parliament would be polarized.

A progressive Conservative government with no real support from Quebec would face a Liberal opposition from French Canada. Nobody would gain more from this than Rene Levesque, the separatist Quebec Premier who will hold a referendum on his fuzzy plans for independence some time after the next general election in Canada.

The public reaction of the opposition parties in Ottawa has been flip-pant. They have suggested that

Trudeau should lower the pension age to 60 from 65 because the voters are about to retire him and that he should enact legislation making the Liberals an endangered species.

Privately, one hears a different story from the victors: Canada is indeed in grave danger of becoming, *de facto*, two incompatible linguistic societies.

Trudeau shows no signs of yielding to pressure from some Liberals and powerful sections of the press to abdicate. He performs best when under fire. He is no quitter. He has two great promises to keep: To hold Quebec in the confederation and to restore the economy. His aides say that if the New York Yankees could come from way behind to win the baseball World Series last week, Trudeau — the slugger — can hold out until next summer to beat back the Conservatives in Ottawa and then confront Levesque.

THE ANTI-TRUDEAU backlash has two causes, but it is impossible to say which has been the most decisive in his fall from grace.

Firstly, the economy still suffers from stagflation. The dollar, worth 102 U.S. cents two years ago, is valued at less than 85 U.S. cents. Unemployment is at 8.5 per cent nationally, and inflation of 8.5 per cent is bound to increase in the

winter as Canadians pay more for imported food and fuel. There seems to be no end to strikes in essential services.

Secondly, there is deep and growing resentment in English Canada over the racial composition of the Trudeau cabinet. Top jobs — finance and relations with the provinces among them — are held by fellow French Canadians. Ontario and western provinces have no real clout in decision-making. It is objected: a French "mafia" is supposedly running Canada even as nationalists in Quebec threaten to split the country in two.

Beyond this, Trudeau's costly but sincere efforts to promote bilingualism and biculturalism are rejected in many parts of English Canada. When the dynamic new leader of the Liberal provincial opposition to Levesque in Quebec, Claude Ryan, used the French language briefly in Edmonton earlier this month, he was abused.

More and more English-speaking Canadians cannot understand why French should be the other official language across the land when Levesque has made French the only official language in Quebec. Trudeau is the scapegoat for these passions. Trudeau has some consolation in the personality of the opposition leader, Joe Clark.



Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau (Canadian Embassy)

Clark is earnest and sincere but he projects such a lacklustre image that his Conservative Party has gained at the polls despite him. His efforts to win a base in Quebec have been as disastrous as Trudeau's efforts to stem the anti-Liberal tide

beyond Quebec. The notion of Clark wheeling and dealing with the shrewd and telegenic Levesque on Canada's future is unthinkable to voters who cannot envisage Canada without the French fact.

Experiencing fear with a submarine crew

GRAY LADY DOWN (general release). Starring Charlton Heston, David Carradine and Nancy Kasek. Directed by David Greene.

AMONG American genre films one can easily isolate horror stories, romantic comedies, westerns and disaster films. Horror stories fascinate by their improbability; romantic comedies grip many viewers because they are painless to associate with; and westerns offer a romantic time warp. Such films may frighten us, make us chuckle or allow us to place ourselves in the role of either hero or villain, depending on our momentary needs. But they never threaten us.

Disaster films have a different claim on their audience. One identifies neither as hero nor as villain, but as victim. One can learn vicariously what it means to await death or even to die. And the audience in recent years has been given a wide range of settings to do so — in airplanes, on luxury liners, in blazing skyscrapers, or in subway trains.

David Greene's "Gray Lady Down" is one of the major disaster films of the last decade. Technologically it is a superb presentation of what happens when a nuclear submarine, commanded by Charlton Heston, sinks after a collision at sea. The workings of the submarine and of the rescue operation, the hero of which is David Carradine, are realistic and well done.

The remainder of the story has little to commend it. The acting is mediocre at best; the dialogue completely banal and the photographic effects run of the mill. "Gray Lady Down" is, in every sense of the term,

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Beck (Carl Gustaf Lindstedt), at left, confers with a colleague in "Man on the Roof."

a typical disaster film. But just so it manages to hold our attention and keeps us in suspense throughout. It manages, in the end, to frighten, entertain and even please.

MAN ON THE ROOF (Mograbli Cinema, Tel Aviv). Starring Carl Gustaf Lindstedt, Irva Waller, Halka Berman. Directed by Bo Widerberg.

IF one can ignore the plot of "Man on the Roof" and focus on the

characterizations, this becomes an acceptable movie. As in countless television programmes, the plot focuses around a sniper in a strategically chosen rooftop. Police snipers, tear gas, helicopters, and a thoroughly incompetent and egotistical commissioner of police add little to the story to make it original. The plot is not a bad one, but simply boring, because we have seen it so many times.

Viewers who enjoy George Simonon's characterization of Inspector Maigret or Ed McBain's portrayal of Detective Meyer Meyer will, however, enjoy the role of

Inspector Martin Beck (Carl Gustaf Lindstedt). A Swedish homicide inspector with no "aspirations" of being either Kojak or Baretta, Beck is a plodding Colombo either. Considerably overweight and somewhat more than middle-aged, he competently does his job with a great deal of pragmatic determination and integrity.

Beck, who needs occasional messages and summons to keep going, portrays a true-to-life policeman who, through his quiet fortitude and pleasant manners maintains the respect of his colleagues and wins that of the audience. Swedish director Widerberg makes excellent use of the camera to add to the portrait of Beck. Delightful and non-tricky shots give us a detective who at times takes off his shoes when sitting at his desk, grimaces when forced to be polite and walks clumsily. But his foibles make him quite real and human.

ONE of the things this film does well is to display the attitudes of the public towards policemen. Some dislike the police, believing them incompetent, cruel or "evil." Others feel that the police are our "servants" and must obey and respect the civilian population. Both attitudes are based on misunderstanding and generalization of what policemen are. Without avoiding the issue of the "bad cop," the film shows that the police are not our "servants," but our agents. They act for us when we are neither capable nor desirous of doing the job. And there are a goodly number of competent, understanding and professional policemen. Beck and each of his colleagues in the homicide squad represent what most of us would agree "good policemen" might be. This film might have made quite acceptable television fare. As cinema, it will perhaps be most enjoyable for police-story buffs.

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Gestures instead of policy

THE OVERSIZED majority of cabinet ministers that voted to approve the draft of the peace treaty with Egypt, it now transpires, was only secured by Premier Begin's pledge that existing settlements in Judea and Samaria, in areas of high Arab concentration, will be "thickened" — that is, expanded and consolidated.

Those hard-lining ministers who still were not sufficiently persuaded may have finally been won over by Mr. Begin's suggestion — it is not a formal decision yet — that his own office, as well as Foreign Minister Dayan's, should be shifted to East Jerusalem.

On the high plane of policy, these would presumably be measures designed to demonstrate and underline Israel's negotiating parameters. They announce Israel's steadfast defence of the right of Jews to live, and settle, in Judea and Samaria, "the heart of the homeland," and they proclaim Jerusalem, united and indivisible, to be Israel's capital forever.

They are, of course, gestures of defiance as well. For they are plainly aimed at the U.S. and the recent visit here of Assistant Secretary Harold Saunders. Mr. Saunders toured the area, trying to inveigle the Palestinians, the Jordanians and even the Syrians into joining the peace talks — by bowing American opposition to Israel's stand on the territories.

Mr. Saunders made it clear that Washington still views the territories as "Arab," and East Jerusalem as an occupied city. What is worse, and that is really the issue, he made his points loudly as well.

Thus he has made it possible for the Palestinians, and the Jordanians and the Syrians — if they deign to join in — to insist that anything less than the American interpretation of the Camp David accords is non-negotiable.

For throwing his country's considerable weight around in this manner, so ill-befitting an honest broker, the Assistant Secretary of State was privately taken to task by Mr. Begin. He was also the beneficiary of an unusual, and well publicized, verbal drubbing by a representative group of Knesset Members. He was told, in no uncertain terms, that he had managed to unite, in opposition, almost the entire political community, "hawks" and "doves" alike.

But that unity will not easily survive Mr. Begin's newest adventures, the explanation for which must be sought not on any plane of policy but in the domestic political in-fighting which accompanied the Cabinet discussions.

It should not take the Premier very long to realize that gestures of the kind he has been resorting to in order to conciliate critics can be useful only in the very short run.

The real extremists, needless to say, will not be mollified by his half-measures: why, they will ask, stop at expansion and refrain from outright new settlement? Does the "spirit of Camp David" have priority over the ancestral heritage in Judea and Samaria? Pressure from the extreme, moreover, will be transmitted to the right-of-centre.

To maintain his credibility in the eyes of those Likud and NRP "nationalists" he has been wooing with his latest moves, Mr. Begin will need to show proof positive of an intention to stand pat, this time, and never mind Yamit. This is bound to be a tall order, indeed.

The sharp if diplomatic rebuke administered yesterday by Secretary of State Vance suggests the kind of pressures that Mr. Begin has invited by his rash actions.

In the matter of Jerusalem, Mr. Begin's model is said to have been the late David Ben-Gurion, who responded to the General Assembly's resolution in 1948 to internationalize the holy city, both Eastern and Western, by moving the seat of government from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem. The apparent assumption is that "the world" will come to terms with the new Israeli decision, just as it eventually reconciled itself to the old one.

But the analogy is absurd. Ben-Gurion was hitting back at an obtuse UN that had failed to lift a finger for the peace of a Jerusalem threatened by the invading Jordanians. Premier Begin is crossing up a power that, with all its faults, is Israel's only true ally, and which will next week be sending a mission here to assess the magnitude of Israel's military needs in adjusting to a new situation to be created by a peaceful frontier with Egypt.

Mr. Begin's choice is therefore likely to be either to jeopardize the whole peace process, which is unthinkable, or to beat an embarrassing retreat.

Power to the people

The direct election of mayors is a radical step forward, but more reforms are necessary in the area of local government. MARK SEGAL takes a look at the problems involved.

ANY TEL AVIV householder seeking to make alterations to his home, like closing a balcony, has to obtain the necessary permit — not from his own elected city officials, but from a committee chaired by a senior Interior Ministry official, a National Religious Party appointee, who resides in Netanya.

This is just one of the many anomalies besetting local government in Israel, where the central authorities prefer to keep municipal officials under a tight rein. Dr. Yosef Burg, the canny leader of the NRP, knows how to manipulate his authority over local government as Interior Minister so as to ensure that the pivotal powers of his smaller party are never diminished. This is one explanation given for his refusal to enact the law passed in the special Knesset session setting out the division of powers between mayors and their councils.

November 7 local elections will be the first in which mayors will be elected directly and separately from their councils, and there is a chance some cities may have mayors confronted by hostile councils dominated by the opposing party. Some people say the ministry simply did not manage to organize things and it is not a case of NRP Machiavellianism, while more cynical observers claim that Burg prefers to wait until after the elections to see how malleable the new mayors will be and then arrange matters accordingly.

THE MAINTENANCE of law and order — a particularly grave problem in the Greater Tel Aviv area — is entirely out of the hands of the local authorities. They have no control whatsoever over the centralized national police force which, of course, comes under the Ministry of Interior and Police. The fact that the police have been taken over by the NRP has led many observers to conclude that it was a political decision not to crack down on the orthodox hoodlums who beat up Kippur, which has not been the case in the past.

It is not widely known that our local authorities operate mainly on the basis of Ottoman ordinances and regulations carried over from the days of Turkish rule. Local government chiefs have been complaining for years that the Knesset cares too little about the problems of urban society. They are upset that the legislature has failed to enact new laws for the regulation of urban living.

Yet there are those who claim that we have fairly good laws on the books but they are not implemented. Take the Kanowitz law, for example, adopted years ago. Its intention was to limit pollution of the urban air but has been felled by the combined forces of Egged and Dan.

Most Israelis live in town, yet

nature of Jews as urban creatures, but they must also provide some disquieting thoughts on the way we run our cities and plan their future.

For one thing, there is no single department directly responsible for city affairs, applying a unified urban philosophy. Instead, the problems of our towns are tackled by a plethora of departments, each with its own vested bureaucratic interests. The most outstanding anomaly is the State Lands Authority which enjoys such a major influence over urban housing, yet comes under the Ministry of Agriculture.

Lack of space does not permit me to enumerate the examples of vital areas of city administration that lie outside municipal control. Thus, the cities have little say in the operation of their public transportation systems, which are controlled by cooperatives that are ostensibly subject to Histadrut control (which is largely fictitious), while the bus routes and fare levels are under the aegis of the Ministry of Transport.

when was the last time that our MKs bothered to devote any of their time to urban problems? Only one MK, Mordechai Virshupsky (Shal), to my knowledge is devoting his time to putting together a new national code for local government to replace the outdated regulations now in operation. But he gets little help from others.

Is it because Zionism has failed to offer any philosophy of urban settlement? Is it because the Zionist movement and its controlling agencies were for so long dominated by rural settlement dogma? After all, the early townships reflected the shtetl mentality. Tel Aviv was built with its back to the sea, while some people speak of Haifa as Afula-on-sea. The streets of one entire neighbourhood in older Tel Aviv were laid out in the shape of a seven-branched menorah with Rehov Levanush as the axis. This area now adjoins the Central Bus Station, adding to the area's chaotic conditions. Then we have Petah Tikva where, the story goes, the founding fathers just out of the walled city of Jerusalem were so Orthodox that they refused to have any of the streets form a cross, so today there is not a single junction in the old town centre where roads meet at right angles.

IT MAY BE partly the fault of the disproportionate number of kibbutz and moshav members among our top policy makers in the formative years of statehood. Their lack of personal interest did not help, and rather hampered, the crystallization of a viable urban philosophy at the top.

The flawed electoral system and the party appointments committee set-up were weighted in favour of those living in rural communities, usually out of touch with the problems of city life. One example: Is there not a correlation between the urban housing mess cluttering our landscape, with the same neighbourhoods thrown up in the desert around Eilat and Dimona as in the Galilee hillsides of Safed and Carmiel because Mapam ran the Housing Ministry for too long, with all major decisions in the hands of kibbutzniks?

This prognosis is underpinned in another area by a report I saw some years ago drafted by Eliezer Bruckman, one of the country's top urban development experts, who,

ranked U.S. emissary to talk to the Jordanians and the Palestinian Arabs before the Israel-Egyptian peace agreement had even been signed, and the benefits of peace would begin to be demonstrated. There can be no doubt that the Saunders' mission underlined some of the questions being asked these days in Israel.

I HAVE NOT mentioned those Israelis who belong to the Greater Israel Movement and who had, after Camp David, belatedly and correctly come to the conclusion that the full incorporation into Israel of Judea, Samaria and Gaza (and, of course, of Sinai) was out of the question — for the time being anyway. After all, they speak only for a relatively small segment of public opinion in the country. Nor do I specifically refer to that part of Israeli public opinion which may have secretly hoped and prayed that the negotiations with Egypt would come to naught, so that Israel's position in Sinai could be maintained.

It is not with the extremes that I am concerned, but rather with the mainstream of public opinion, which is prepared to take risks and withdraw from Sinai for the sake of achieving peace with Egypt, which is prepared to forgo the claim of Israeli sovereignty over the West Bank and Gaza at the present time — provided this area never becomes a PLO-ruled aggressive Palestinian state, and on condition that neither our security nor our right to live and move freely in this area shall be adversely affected. It is precisely because of this willingness to compromise, that Israelis are bewildered by the lack of understanding in the world for the very high price Israel is going to pay — by giving away the very area from which the Egyptians staged at least four at-

tacks on Israel in the last 20 years. That area could become a staging-area for military adventures, should there be a change of the Egyptian regime.

Some of our American friends persist in telling us (rather naively, I fear) that now, after the conclusion of peace with Egypt, Israel will be able to forget all her worries. This, I am afraid, does not take into account that even without Egypt, we still face formidable Arab armies poised to attack us from the "Confrontation states" in the east and in the north — states which maintain close political, military and ideological links with the Soviet Union. Of course, Moscow is not in the least interested to let things settle into a Pax Americana situation and it will in all probability continue to stir up trouble whenever and wherever it can. But even without East-West rivalries, how could anyone even faintly acquainted with the long and troublesome history of this area, seriously believe that the Arab-Israeli conflict is the only, or even the primary, reason for the never-ending turmoil and bloodshed in the Middle East?

Any student of recent history cannot but come to the conclusion that ever since the Yom Kippur War, when the U.S. government prevented Israel from achieving complete victory against the beleaguered Egyptian Second and

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before he retired, was the Interior Ministry's senior planning official. It explained the causes of the belated development of Afula as the district capital of the Jezre'el Valley. It emerged that the influential kibbutz-sin of the Emek preferred to bypass the township on their journey to their movements' headquarters in Haifa and Tel Aviv.

Their concept of affinity to their own kibbutz federations rather than to their own geographical district influenced, so Bruckman's report showed, the cross-country road-building programme.

WHAT IT ALL adds up to is that the city-dweller in Israel has been short-changed for too long, and certainly has not been getting the value for his taxes. It would be inconceivable anywhere else in the democratic world that three weeks before local elections, the bus services in the three main cities are reduced to a minimum because the managements took out so many vehicles for tourist purposes.

This is both indicative of the bus cooperatives' contempt for the travelling public and the local authorities' lack of control over public transportation. But it also indicates that the mayoral candidates are all very careful not to anger the

bus cooperatives, which are traditionally big contributors to election campaign funds.

The Greater Tel Aviv region already showing signs of urban ailments affecting much older cities like New York — pollution, inner city decay, a shift of the better-educated and the better-off inhabitants to the suburbs, leaving behind the agglomerations of the poor and a rising incidence of crime and violence.

The direct election of mayors is a radical step in the right direction, but given the NRP-controlling Interior Ministry it is difficult to see how much change will really be allowed. Another administrative innovation required would be greater national urban affairs authority, preferably in the Prime Minister's Office, and directly responsible to him.

Indeed, for a start, Deputy Premier Yadin could set up a necessary framework and do his best to coordinate existing departments. At present, each ministry produces its own plans, often duplicating the others.

What is highly overdue is a radical reorganization of national priorities, so as to provide a new deal for cities — which means a new deal for the majority of the inhabitants of Israel.

that Yigal Allon, a former foreign minister and a senior spokesman in the Labour Party, told a senior Israeli American diplomat only last week for a that Israelis would rather starve than ever return to the of vulnerable borders of 1967.

All this may help to explain the Israeli's somewhat troubled mood at the present time. We have sent many of the best available, but absolutely best possible negotiating teams to the Camp David and Madrid peace conferences. They have valiantly and on the whole successfully, fought for the best terms Israel can hope for to achieve. Peace with Egypt may be far off — but Israelis are nonetheless not to be blamed for mising their hopes and expectations with at least some measure of apprehension.

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WHY ISRAELIS ARE WORRIED

By ZALMAN SHOVAL

Third Armies, Washington has pursued a policy of strengthening its position in the Arab world by making the Israelis pay for it. America's attitude towards the Lebanese crisis, and its support for some of Syria's actions there, could also be interpreted in this light.

Israelis are certainly applauding U.S. efforts to dislodge the Soviet Union from this area, but one cannot but wonder whether, in order to achieve this, America now expects Israel to make additional sacrifices in the Golan, in Jerusalem and on the West Bank? I do not think, by the way, that American public opinion would tolerate a policy which would seriously endanger the security and perhaps very existence of their country's only reliable and democratic ally in the whole area of the Middle East. In this context, it is interesting

tacks on Israel in the last 20 years. That area could become a staging-area for military adventures, should there be a change of the Egyptian regime.

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POSTSCRIPTS

SOME TIME AGO we pointed out that the greenery alongside the Jerusalem's Old City walls bordering the Corob Walk to Jaffa Gate had become wildly overgrown and was infested with rats. We're happy to report that gardeners are now ripping out all the weeds. Now we'd like to point out another problem not very far away. The municipality has been carrying out some lovely landscaping and construction of new walks up Mt. Zion. At the end of the main walkway and just before the steps to the top of the hill is a little rest and observation area. On the wall is a huge cement slab, announcing the "Rebuilders of Zion Garden" but leaving two-thirds of

the slab blank, presumably for donors' names or some such thing. As soon as we saw that slab we hoped that the space would be filled in soon — as it simply looked too tempting for graffiti artists. We checked the other day and sure enough — the slab has been painted on it, with bold black strokes, a "Palestinian flag."

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